Girls who show they can compete in industry, page 20

## Thatcher referendum plan for union confrontation attacked

Union leaders were critical yesterday of a suggestion by Mrs Thatcher that if she was prime minister she might seek a referendum to resolve a confrontation with a trade union. Mr Jack Jones, the transport union leader, asked what would happen during a crisis in the months it would take to organize a referendum.

frontation, it would not be

issue, which we have now done, through a referendum (on British membership of the European Community).

When I rose in the House of Commons to make comments on the last referendum, I said

we have learnt the advantage of this—it is a way of putting a single issue to the people. It is a way of letting people speak, and on a constitutional matter

if it arose, that is the time to

"I stress, I do not believe it will happen; if it did happen I do not think it would happen

in the way you showed. I be-lieve that a large number of

trade unionists are not only with us; we know one in three votes for us. I believe that more than half will probably vote for us in the next election because they do not like some of the next of the

powers . . . that some of the trade unions are prepared to

Hint of legislation, page 2 Wooing Liberals, page 14 Leading article, page 15

## Irrelevant, Mr Basnett says

By Michael Hatfield

Political Reporter Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, suggested yesterday that she might seek a referendum if faced, as prime minister, with a trade union confrontation that could lead to a constitutional crisis.

The Conservative leader posed the possibility when questioned on Weekend World the London Weekend Television programme. Mrs Thatcher told the interviewer, Mr Brian Walden, the former Labour MP, that if such a situation arose—and she did not believe it would—"I think I would have to say let the people speak because they will be the

Mrs Thatcher was asked the question in the context of a confrontation similar to that aucing Mr Heath, in February, C974, with the miners. Although wt was not stated on the pro-pramme, it is known that if ecced with a refusal by a recalitrant National Union of Mine-orkers to abide by the results in a referendum Mrs Thatcher foould consider importing coal

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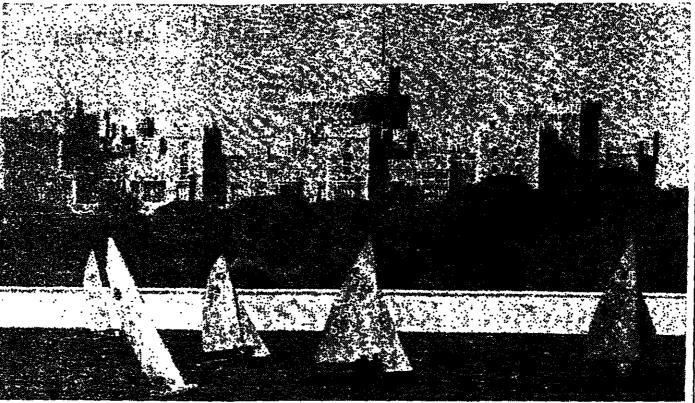
union reaction to her proposal.
Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and
General Workers' Union, said:
"This is Alice in Wooderland. What would happen to the crisis during the months it takes trisis during the months it takes to organize a referendum? I do not think she has thought the idea through. She gave me the impression that she has no use for impersonal inquiries, like that headed by Lord Justice Scarman on Grunwick."

Mr David Basnett, general Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, said the suggestion was a "mischievous irrelevance". He added: "Is every dispute supposed to remain in limbo while months are spent asking the opinion of everybody in the nation?

"What the nation needs to hear are suggestions on improving industrial relations, bettering our industrial performance and creating a consensus on how we improve our society. Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the Yorkshire area of the National Union of Mineworkers, said Mrs Thatcher's idea was "the iron maiden's industrial recipe for disaster".

in The idea of a referendum has roll been discussed in the rolladow Cabinet, although it is rollived to have been the subdustrial relations are con-

Mrs Thatcher said in the



frontation, it would not be between unions and government, it is between unions and people. If Governments have to get the money from the people. If unions hold the whip hand, upon whose backs does the lash fall? It is on their fellow workers, their wives. Under those circumstances, my reply would be 'Let the people speak'. You can do it two ways—through a general election, or there is the possibility you can take a single issue, which we have now done, battlements and towers of Windsor Castle photographed from the

change of flights

From Michael Knipe

Jerusalem, Sept 18

Mr Moshe Dayan, the Israeli

Foreign Minister, left here un-expectedly early today bound for New York via Zurich, leav-ing in his wake a mystery over his aeronautical meanderings during the weekend and the purpose behind them

purpose behind them.

When Mr Dayan was supposed to be flying from Erussels to New York on Friday he slipped away surreptitously

to make an unscheduled visit to Paris and then a surprise

return trip to Jerusalem for an hour's meeting with Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister.

All this activity caused rumours that he had been en-

Mystery over Dayan

three miles. Between the reservoir wall

1,000mm fl1 Nikkor mirror lens and the trees of Home Park is the mounted on a Nikon F2 camera body and the fraction of a second using lifered at Colubrook, a distance of just under Thames. The picture was taken on a HP5 film. (Photograph by Ian Spratt.)

## Rhodesia shelves own settlement plan

day kept a cloak of secrecy tightly drawn around both the purpose and the details of the Foreign Minister's puzzling movements. It declined even to Salisbury, Sept 18.—Mr shelving for now his intention, Smith, the Rhodesian Prime outlined during the election campaign of forming a "broad-ll-white Cabinet and said he would shelve his own internal "moderate" blacks, which Minister today announced a new all-white Cabiner and said he would shelve his own internal settlement plan while the latest movements. It declined even to disclose how Mr Dayan made the 250-mile journey between the Belgian and French capitals. This was presumably because to do so might reveal a clue to his activities either before leaving Brussels, on arrival in Paris or during the journey. The Jerusalem authorities preferred to leave international speculation virtually unchecked Anglo-American majority rule proposals were being con-

sidered. The announcement coincided with the return to Rhodesia, after 13 years in exile, of Mr James Chikerema, one of the founders of the Rhodesian black nationalist movement.

Mr Chikerema, aged 52, an ally of Bishop Abel Muzorewa, faced detention because of his past association with the guer-rilla movement, but police said they had no instructions to arrest him.

The new Cabinet has no new faces, and three ministers who did not contest the recent elections are not replaced. Their portfolios are spread among the

"moderate" blacks, which would draft a majority rule constitution containing safeguards for whites. "This is being held in abey-

ance, depending on whether the new Anglo-American White Paper is a starter", Mr Smith said.

Mr Smith has already asked Britain for "clarification" of several points in the planespecially the formation of a "national army" including guerrilla forces.

The most significant change

in Mr Smith's cabinet is that the ministries of Combined Operations and of Defence both go to Mr Roger Hawkins, the Combined Operations Minister. Mr Pieter van der Byl, the Foreign Minister, takes over Information, Immigration and Tourism.—UPI.

#### Anglican secessionists to form US church

Disaffected members of the Episcopal Church, angered by the church's decision to ordain women priests, have seceded and pledged themselves to form a new provisional body called the Anglican Church in North

America.

An interim charter for the proposed church was received with a standing ovarion on Friday by 1,700 participants at a three-day meeting of dissidents in St Louis, Missouri.

Mr Terry Laukhuff, leader of the Fellowship of Concerned Churchmen, which organized the meeting said that the secession statement was "one of the greatest historical documents in the bistory of the church". He urged participants to bring their participants to bring their participants to bring their parishes into the new church.

parishes into the new church.

Nearly 50 congregations, including 16 secessionist parishes, have become openly involved in the dissident movement, and dozens of others are reported to be considering a similar move. The establishment of a clear focal point now is expected to hasten the pace. Dissident leaders claim to represent the feelings of at least 500,000 Episcopalians out of a total of 2,800,000.

The secessionist charter calls

The secessionist charter calls for a constitutional assembly, at an unspecified date, to draw up a permanent church struc-ture. Leaders said that such an assembly would require several monds of preparation.

Under the charter, the assembly would be called by

far, the proposed church has no bishops, but last Thursday members of the breakaway Diocese of the Holy Trinity, based in Los Angeles, elected a candidate, the Rev James Moto of Denver, who was deposed by the Triconal denumbers. by the Episcopal church last autumu. His consecration was delayed indefinitely last week until three Anglican bishops can be found to perform the

rite.
Bishop Albert Chambers of Dennis, Massachusetts, who is retired, and the Right Rev Clarence Haden, Bishop of the Diocese of Northern California, have signifided their willingness to conduct such a consec-ration, but a third bishop has

## **Court martial blocks Bhutto election role**

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t would avert an early clash a claim for rises of up to a week. Some moderates that a decision to ballot pt be challenged in the weravened union policy as opuled at the national con-Page 2

#### **Eyland** setback 9,000 strike

Ssh Leyland faces a new uction setback today as workers at its bus and factories in Lancashire. gol of the company's most contable areas, begin a strike a pay claim. Leyland has ph just emerged from the sing components shortage d by the Lucas toolmakers'

#### pport for plea gain report

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bargaining in the courts,
has been criticized by the Society, the Bar Council the Home Office. The coe nome Uffice. The CS, who are members of windiversity staff, say that highing between judges and wells over pleas and senders has her commended.

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#### stallot could ease Trouble ends for Spanish flights

Government is hoping that Air traffic is back to normal on miners' union will decide in Spain. A go-slow by air con-city to ask members to hold a trollers was ended after they received assurances that the Government would meet their main demands. In Portugal, however, a strike by pilots continues to ground the national airline TAP. As a result, Madeira and the Azores are almost out off. almost cut off Page 4

#### **EEC** 'sugar mountain' fear

Officials in Brussels fear that the EEC faces the danger of a "sugar mountain" because of the new surplus in production. Foreign Ministers of the Nine will meet this week to try to find a common policy for the United Nations conference which has already opened in Geneva Power in London: The City of London Corporation has suggested the transfer of many GLC functions to the London

Solar heating: Energy from the sun could provide one third of the average British home's supply of hot water, a report

Spain: About 30,000 people demonstrated in Pamplona to demand an amnesty and auto-nomy for the Basque region 4 Roman fort found: The last link in a chain of Roman forts across Scotland has been discovered

Warsaw: Polish bishops issued a pastoral letter accusing the the has been common at media of promoting a "godless range and "total dictator-page 3 ship" 5

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### Kappler case minister is demoted

Rome, Sept 18.—Signor Andreotti, the Prime Minister, changed his Cabines today, shifting the Defence Minister who has come under attock after the escape of Herbert Kappler, the Nazi war criminal, from a military hospital.

Signor Attilio Ruffini to Signor Minister, and made Signor Lartanzio Minister of Trans-port, a post which had been held by Signor Ruffini. The change, announced a ter a meeting between President

was a compromise after demands by other parties for Signor Lattanzio's resignation.
They said Signor Latranzio should be held responsible for Herr Kappler's escape on August 15 from a military inspiral where he was serving a life sentence for the murder of 335 civilians during the German occupation of Rome.

lated to a Middle East peace plan, either with Mr Fabmi, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mr Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, or some other unlikely figure. unlikely figure. The Israeli Government to-Book not intended to be anti-Thorpe, Mr Smith says

Signor Andreotti named

Leone and the Prime Minister,

Mr Cyril Smith, Liberal MP between for Rochdale, was unrepentant dential, vesterday after divulging per-Mr Jeremy Thorpe, in his auto-biography, published today.

Smith of breaking an unspoken Ian Bradley writes: code of honour over dis- Mr Smith, who was Liberal closures on the Norman Scott chief whip at the time, suggests affair, which led to Mr in his book that Sir Harold closures on the Norman scott affair, which led to Mr in his book that our management of the party.

Thorpe's resignation from the Wilson, then Prime Minister, may have put forward a theory African involvement anti-Thorpe. "It is a book that defended Thorpe from the Thorpe affair", he said. "It

Thorpe's resignation from the deadership of the party.

Mr Smith said that the of South African involvement book was not intended to be in an effort to protect Mr Thorpe and keep him in the transfer of party leader. is meant to be a bitter attack. February 3, 1976, when the on the British press and what press was full of Mr Scott's I consider was a disgraceful allegations that he had a homo-I consider was a disgraceful episode in their history."
Mr Thorpe said: "During the 18 years I have been in Parliament I have always treated private conversations

accused

especially those the whip and the tetween sonal conversations between leader. I therefore have no in-himself and his former leader, tention of departing from this Mr Jeremy Thorpe, in his auto-practice to amend, correct or add to Mr Smith's recol-Mr lection

speculation virtually unchecked

even though it has been extensive and imaginative.

7 am today, rather than 11 am as had been expected, enabled him to give reporters the slip.

After his meeting with Mr Begin last night Mr Dayan made no attempt to defuse the

mystery, saying simply: "I have

a certain matter connected

interrupted my journey because

Mr Dayan's departure at

position of party leader.
Mr Smith discloses that on sexual affair with Mr Thorpe

was good or bad. Mr Thorpe replied, "It is good. It will be pushed on to South Africa."
Five weeks later Sir Harold told the House of Commons: " have no doubt at all there is a strong South African participa-tion in the recent activities relating to the leader of the Liberal

Mr Smith also quotes another remark by Mr Thorpe hinting at Sir Harold's involvement in an effort to protect him. On March 24, Mr Smith asked Mr Thorpe if he intended to resign and of the fact that payments from the leadership of the had been made to Mr Scott by party. Mr Thorpe replied: a formal Liberal MP, Mr Peter "Certainly not. I am bound to Bessell, the Prime Minister win I have the three most im-

caused considerable disquiet among his Liberal colleagues in Parliament. They are not very pleased either by his statement in the book that Mr John Stone-house, the former Labour MP for Walsall, North, launched preliminary talks with Mr David Steel about the possibility of joining the Liberal Party shortly before his il-fated journey to Miami in the summer of 1974.

In fact, Mr Steel never had any formal conversation or exchange of letters with Mr Stonehouse and they met only once.

called the Liberal leader for a private meeting behind the Speaker's chair in the House of Commons.

After the talk Mr Smith asked Mr Thorpe whether what Sir Harold Wilson had said to him was good or had Mr Thorpe whether what Mr Thorpe was good or had Mr Thorpe whether what Sir Harold Wilson had said to him was good or had Mr Thorpe whether what Sir publish shape remarks here the says:

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when Mr Callaghan decides if he wishes to continue another year in office, which he can only do with continued Liberal

Queen's Speech will have to be written in consultation with David Steel, and I can assure you will contain no further stepping stones on the way to an iron curtain-style socialist state."

Without a realignment in British politics, Mr Smith predicts that there will be a revolution and they met only once.

Mr Smith, who is expected to be one of the main voices opposing the continuation of lord Goodman letter, page 15

## French Socialists work for compromise on the left

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Sept 18

The climate on the French left has improved after Wednesday's rift. There have been contacts in the past three days between the Communists and the Left Radicals, with the Socialists acting as "honest brokers". The Socialists are brokers". The Socialists are expected to amounce tomorrow, after a meeting of their national executive, on what terms and when the "summir" meeting to revise the common programme of the Union of the Left can be resumed. Left can be resumed. "All our proposals are nego-tiable", M Charles Figurman, leader of the Communist dele-

gation in the negotiations, said vesterday. M Robert Fabre, leader of the Left Radicals, said: "We do not lay down any conditions for the resumption of the dis-

While professing to be keep-

Write protessing to be accuing an upon mind about the
future of his close friend and
confidant, Mr Bert Lauce,
President Carter has clearly
been impressed by the Budget
Director's personal defence of
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his pest banking activities.

In his most recent comments on the affair. Mr Carter told a

sroup of newspaper editors and news editors that he believed Mr Lance had "cer-tainly enhanced his position" during his restimony before a

Senate committee.
His remarks, which were made on Friday, were pub-

The President said he had found time to watch only a 20-minute summary of the Lance hearings, "but my

Lance hearings, "but my assessment from the brief time I have watched and also from

my staff is that he has enhanced his position because

lished resterday.

From David Cross

Washington, Sept 18

cussions. For us, they were never broken off, but only adiourned."

Speaking at Avignon, M Fabre insisted, however, that his party was not prepared to abandon its objections to collectivism. "We are for the Union of the Leit, but not for communism, which only 20 per cent of the French voters really want", he said. "We are supporters of a reasonable and humanist left which

strives towards a balanced society. We reject both un-bridled capitalism and collec-He gave a hint of the lines on which a possible compromise might be worked out with the Communists. He was in favour.

he said, of the state taking a share in the steel industry and in the Peugeot-Citroen car comsubstantial loans from the state. Spirited Lance defence impresses President

On the basis of these allega-tons some Senate leaders had called for Mr Lance's imme-diate resignation, but he had not had a chance to answer the chartes until last week. Mr

charges until last week. Mr Corter said. From all that he had heard he had "no evi-dence to indicate that Bert has

done anything illegal or uneth-

The President said be would " certainly have an eugerness to

learn of any reason for me to change" this assessment. "But I want to be fair about it. And I have a sure sense of

the basic fairness of the

It was clear that Mr Carter

will not take a final decision

he was in a situation where, about Mr Lance's future until character of the person would

American people."

ical".

## Whitelaw forecast of need for ban on marches

From Our Correspondent Classow

Mr William Whitelaw, deputy leader of the Conserva-tive Party and its spokesman on Home Affairs, said in Glas-gow yesterday during a tour of Asian community centres that if street fighting continued .etween supporters of the National Front and the Socialist Workers' Party it might be tragically necessary to ban provocative marches.

Mr Whitelaw said Northern Ireland had taught him that on the whole the banding of marches should be avoided. But he thought the authorities should insist that marchers keep to an agreed route.

If the police believed any march was going to be outside. its control or be provocative, they should be entitled to ask Mouse that roared, page 4 Mr Whitelaw said.

literally for weeks, all kinds of allegations and charges were made, including criminal violation of the writing of chaques to avoid paying taxes, which is fraudulent and illegal. He was alleged to be an emberzler by a convicted felon."

On the basis of these allegations some Senare leaders had more some Senare leaders had

of them remained to domage the character of a person who might be totally lunocent.

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If, on the other hand, the

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that the allegations were basi-

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were made every day with the Lance used to live. Couceding highest possible publicity and that he, too, had made use of then all these charges were overdrafts for his peanut busi-proved to be false, how much ness. Mr Carter said he did not

The decision would be much banking circles in which I easier if the person involved were not able to fulfil his duties adequately as a result of has increased dramatically dur-

the case with Mr Lance, who the past few days if the the case with Mr Lance, who telephone calls coming into the was continuing to run the White House are to be Office of Management and believed. A spokesman dis-

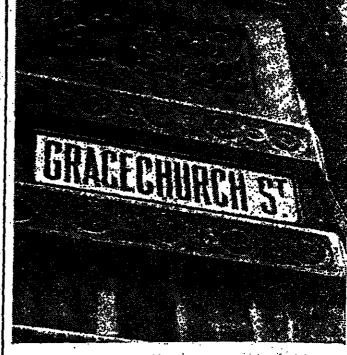
tive Party felt very strongly on the need to preserve a society in which all were equal, irrespective of race, colour or

Mr Whitelaw said he would rather the public stopped cali-ing ethnic groups "amini-grants", for many of them were born in Eritain and were in no sense immigrants. It did society no good to keep harp-ing on that word, he said. Now that there were Paki stani members of local government, the Conservatives hoped to see them stand for Parkia-ment as well, Mr Whitelaw said. But one leading member of the Pakistani community in Glasgow, organizing yesterday's tour said he had found that 35 per cent of all those entitled to vote would support the Scot-tish National Party at the nexh

excuse the practice. But I still don't believe that it is an un-

closed that more than 80 per cent of the calls last Friday were favourable to the Budget

Mr Lance damaged by cross-examination, page 5



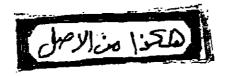
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## **Ballot on incentives** could ease pressure for big pit pay rise

Labour Reporter

Government hopes of not kerving to face a damaging led by Mr Arthur Scargill, who believes an incentive scheme f Mineworkers over a pay would result in "death, disease laim that would make non-Mineworkers over a pay aim that would make non-use of the Chancellor's single-figure percentage guide-lines will be strengthened today when union leaders are expected to ask their members to decide by ballot whether they want to negotiate local

productivity bargaining. An incentive scheme has been seen by moderates in the union as the only way to reduce the increasing pressure from the workers for pay rises of up to £64 a week.

Their efforts received a severe setback at the union's Summer conference when delcsummer contenence when described by three votes to reject local productivity bargaining and to "seek to achieve" very large increases from November 1.

Under present policy, endorsed by the TUC's decision to uphold the 12-month rule, the miners are not eligible for the present process. igible for more money until

Leaders like Mr Joseph Gorm-ley, the union's president, believe a nationally negotiated incentive scheme would put

The moderates can

Indeed, some moderate members of the union think that if they recommend a ballon their decision may be challenged in law on the ground that it contravenes the union's relies are decided at the policy as decided at the national conference. A final decision on a ballot would have to be left to the full executive committee, which is not scheduled to meet until next month, although a

special executive meeting dur special executive meeting during the Labour Party conference is a possibility.

A further test for Mr Healey's guidelines will come on Wednesday, when unions at Ford will consider the company's pay offers of 8.5 and 10.5 per cent in response to their claim for at least 15 per cent. The Government has still to

make a formal offer on pay to the Police Federation, whose next March.

A majority of the union's said yesterday that a 30 per 16-member joint negotiating cem offer would be too little. The said the federation, which protests from a number of has been demanding rises of coalfields against the conmore than 78 per cent, would ference decision when they not be "fobbed off," this time. press for a ballot to be held.

"Thirty per cent is a very, leaders like Mr loseth Gorm very long way from what we very long way from what we want. The fact is that if some believe a maximally negotiated thing is not done about police incentive scheme would put pay very soon, the trickle of more amoney into members' those leaving the force will pockets before the end of the become a flood", he said.

#### Solar panels can provide third of hot water needs

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor
More than a third of the domestic hor water used by an form of energy supply, there is average house in Britain can be provided by a relatively simple solar heating system. Solar energy could provide even more bot water using more elaborate schemes the introduction occurs in an average to make estimates of the introduction that occurs in an average to make estimates of the introduction that occurs in an average to make estimates of the introduction that occurs in an average to make estimates are used in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this same in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this same used in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this same in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this same in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this same interest in this average in the plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this average house in Britain can be plumbing. Despite the increasing interest in this average house in Britain can be provided by a relatively ence to make estimates of long-term performance and be provided by a relatively ence to make estimates of long-term performance and economics, the report says. current technical digest from the Building Research Estab-lishment of the Dept of the

Environment says.

Emphasizing that a solar system in the United Kingdom can only augment a conventhe report explains how such equipment works and draws attention to difficulties that can be avoided in design. Mistakes to avoid include in-

correct siting of solar collector house. Larger collectors will panels on the roof and of yield more energy, water storage cylinders, and Digest No 205 (Stationery corrosion troubles that can Office, 10p).

There were areas affecting the trade unions where the

Tories would be prepared to introduce legislation, Mrs That-cher, the Conservative Party leader, said on the London

weekend Television programme,

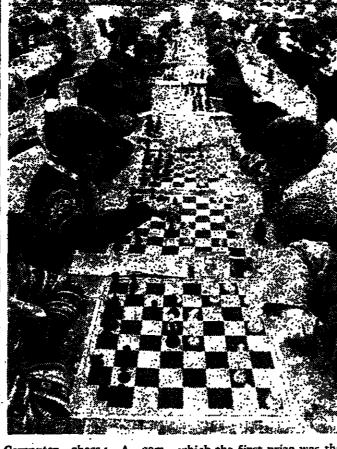
Weekend World yesterday. She

said: We are all against the closed shop

It is very strange that an em-

tion that occurs in an average year in the United Kingdom on each square metre of southfacing roof is taken as 3.5 Gigajoules (973 kilowatt hours, or 33.25 therms). A solar instalkation of four square metres will operate with an efficiency of about 35 per cent, and hence will supply five GJ of That represents 40 per cent of the domestic bot water requirements of the average

Thatcher hint of some legislation on unions



first computer to play against humans in a Euro-

gress, at the Harrow Leisure McPherson, Martin, Rumens, Centre in London, are shown above. Six rounds were and Webb, 41, and Bellin, played on the Swiss system Hillyard, Littlewood, Perkins in the Open Tournament, in and Vranesic, 4.

which the first prize was the puter known as Chess 4.6 Aaronson Championship made a successful debut in award of £1,000. That was the Open Tournament at the shared between the Czecho-Aaronson chess congress at slovak grandmaster, Hort, the weekend. It was the and the former Sheffield University student, Peter Large, with a score of 52

pean tournament, and points. finished with 35 points, half a point above 50 per cent (our Chess Correspondent writes).

Some of the 735 players who took part in the contact of the Herrory Leisanne Ashby. Botterill, Cafferty, Crouch, Franklin, Jameson, Kotov, MacDonald Ross, MacDonald R Sigurjonsson, Stean, Taulbut

### Irish troops join hunt for gang after shots at police

of Dublin, and called in troops early yesterday after a shooting incident including an armed

Police came under fire during a car chase and a police vehicle and a taxi were hi-jacked. Earlier the gang had been surprised during arrempted raid on a public house. Part of the group made

Police set up road blocks

Irish police sealed off a residential district in Howth, north and uniformed men, supported and uniformed men, supported by soldiers, dogs and an army helicopter, took part in the operation. Those of the gang responsible for the hijacking were thought to have escaped after the stolen police car was found abandoned.

Several violent crimes have recently been committed in Dublin and other parts of the Irish Republic. Police officers have been shot at or attacked. The incidents are known to

#### **Masterpiece** may be lost to Britain

By Kenneth Gosling Who will save the Dresden

cabinet? The question is being asked in British art circles, and particularly at the Victoria and Albert Museum, with little optimism in view of recent difficulties over the retention of ficulties over the retention of of art masterpieces in Britain. The Dresden cabinet, one of a matching pair, the other being in Dresden, was formerly in Lord Bath's collection at Longlear. It was sold at anction for a reported £71,500 and had a six-month export hold placed on it in July by the Reviewing Committee on the

Export of Works of Art. The piece is one of a group made in Dresden in the 1740s whose form is derived from eighteenth century.
Until recently only three of that type were known, two in Dresden, one in Frankfurt, A

fourth, the present example, with blue japanning, turned up at Christie's earlier this summer.
The obvious destination is The obvious destination is the V and A. But the V and A. purchase grant, a little over £300,000, is already spoken for.
A public appeal is unrealistic when the Birmingham Bellini and the Tate Stubbs appeals are still in the public

## Dispute over Building societies 'not filling gap left by council mortgage cuts?

Co-operative Building societies are not fightion by the Department of filling the gap left in council the Environment showed that mortgages by the Government's cuts in aid to local authorities, april to an estimated film in the chairman of the bonsing June. But difficulties had committee of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities said in a statement yesterday.

Mr. Icho Mills said a survey willingness to lend on older or unimproved property narticution. Government plans to create a state-financed cooperative deelopment agency to promote he principles and practice of said in a statement yesterday.

Mr John Mills said a survey
of members of the association
showed that many building
societies would not help buyers
at the lower end of the market. Few members of the association were satisfied.

"Most report difficulties,
and the majority regret the
curtailment of the local authority role as 'lenders of the
last resort'," Mr Mills said.
"Few consider that the support lending scheme provides the Co-operative movement are being hindered by disagree-ments in the working party on which the Co-operative organi-zations are represented.

suggests in draft proposals that the agency should receive £300,000 over three years and that there should be between five and nine people on its port lending scheme provides anything like an adequate sub-stitute for direct council mort-

however, is on how the board should be selected, with some organizations arguing that they should be elected by the Cooperative movement, thereby gages.
"Clearly, building societies,
particularly at local level, need to do more to live up to the worthy sentiments being expressed by the Building Societies Association." operative indecement, increasy preserving the democratic principle on which the movement is founded, and others wanting the power of appointment to be vested solely in the Government. The statement said that a preliminary report of an inves-

Attempts to reconcile the differences under a compre-mise that would allow some board members to be eliced have failed to far. The work-ing party draft argues that dual accountability would cause confusion and be ineffec-tive. None of the appointing authorities, the Secretary of State and participating organizations, could be expected to answer satisfactorily for the performance of the board, it

Where there is disagreemen

avs.

Behind the argument lies the fear of some of the smaller organizations, such as the In-dustrial Common Ownership Movement and the Co-operative Housing Assertation, that the agency would be dominated by consumer comperatives if there was no provision for the election and dismissal of its members by all participating

The working party's terms of reference were limited to creating an agency to provide advice and guidence to co-operatives and eventually to speak for the Co-coerative movement as a whole. It would not be allowed to dispose of

The Co-operative Party committed to an agency and inially have at its disposal £5m. provided by the movement and

# expansion and diversification

Many of the functions of the

The functions are mainly in the fields of housing, planning and traffic management, but

unimproved property, particu-larly in inner-city areas. Mr Mills said that helping people to buy older properties was an essential part of local authority strategy for needy House building should get a

House building should get a government boost this suturn, it is argued in a report published today by Shelter, the campaign for the homeless.

Mr Christopher Boyd, an economist, points out that there is a large reserve of unemployed construction labour, together with a continuing need for more housing. Reflation in house building and improvement could therefore be used to reduce unemployment used to reduce unemployment and improve social welfare without the risk of inflation.

Committee with the aim of fi-fluencing an autumn budget, Mr Boyd says: "Housing has been a very neglected pro-gramme in recent years and any reflationary budget is sean as an opportunity to redress the balance Houses are durthe balance. Houses are durable assets to the community. Decent, suitable housing is very important in bringing up children. "A rational policy would be to build and improve more houses and avoid the severe

Mr Boyd argues that statistical calculations may underestimate the increase in one parent and one-person house holds needing accommodation.

He also states: "As soon to real incomes start to rise again a significant backlog of demand may well be released", forcing up prices and rents unless an adequote supply of homes is available. The Right Type of Reflation: why housing deserves special attention (Shelter, Waterloo Addressing himself to the attention (Shelter omnoors Expenditure Road, Loudon, 25p)

#### Sir Isaac at 80, a prodigious benefactor to education, science and medicine

By John Young Sir Isaac Wolfson, who cele-brated his eightieth birthday on Saturday, was once described as the first man since Jesus Christ to have colleges named after him at both Oxford and Cambridge. His reaction to that

description went unrecorded, but it can bardly have failed Like most entrepreneurs who have achieved great weekh and influence from

has made his share of enemies and critics. What cannot be denied is the prodigious gen-erosity of the foundation that bears his name.

It was bounched in 1955, when Mr Wolfson, as he then was, was seldom out of the headlines. Its primary object was the advancement of health, clustering and mouth activities. education and youth activities in Britain and the Common-wealth, and by 1968 ir had arready disbursed more than Sir Isaac's interest in medi-

cal and scientific research was reflected in a grant of £450,000 in 1959 for a new building for the Royal College of Physicians. A few months later the Imperial College of Science and Technology received 2350,000 for new laboratories. In 1960 the foundation turned its attention to the



Sir Isaac Wolfson: Wealth from humble beginnings.

of the two ancient universities. Three women's colleges, New Hall, Cambridge, and St Anne's and St Hilda's, Oxford, were given a total of more than £300,000.

That association took a further step forward in 1966 when it was announced that the new Iffiey graduate codlege in Oxford was to be renamed Wolfson College in recognition of grants of more than £3m from the Wolfson and Ford foundations. That same year Mr Harold Macmillan, opening

an extension to Lady Margaret Hall, observed that, while the river of public expenditure was somewhat erratic in volume, "the Wolfson river has flowed on like the Missis-

Cambridge's turn came 1972 when University College agreed to change its name in agreed to change its name in return for a grant of £2m. It, too, was, and is, a graduate institution, and was the first Cambridge college to be renamed in more than six cen-

But the universities have not been the only beneficiaries. Funds have continued to flow Mississippi-like into medicine, the arts, literature, recreational projects and wildlife conservation.

Throughout, the foundation as been concerned to see that its funds are wisely spent. In chief scientific adviser to the Government, undertook an appraisal of some 60 research projects to which £4m had been committed.

The purpose was to ensure that the projects were not academic white elephants but were directly relevant to industry. The results have been startlingly successful; a new and better relationship between researchers and pro-ducers may not be the least of

## Transfer of GLC powers recommended

By Christopher Warman

Local Government

Greater London Council should be transferred to the London boroughs, the City of London Corporation says in evidence to a review of the role of the GLC.

the corporation also argues that the boroughs should take over responsibility for education from the Immer London Education Authority.

In its submission to the review, by Sir Frank Marshall, set up by the Conservative administration at County Hall, the corporation argues that the

County Hall to evolish the City the subsequent campaign which sought the abolition of the Greater London Council". the corporation says generously. The corporation believes that the abolition of the GLC would

create a vacuum ioto which central government would inevitably be drawn and the concept of a ministry for Lon-

present structure of London become the primary unit of government—the GLC, 32 boroughs and the City of London—should be retained.

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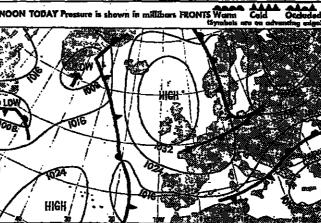
The corporation says that the as a unit of local government 20 outer borough had demonthis authority did not support strated their ability to run the subsequent campaign efficient education services. The structure of the ILEA did not. lend itself to the pressures of local control and was less reponsive to the wishes of the

people in its area.

"Education should logically be a borough function through inevisably be drawn and the concept of a ministry for London is rejected.

The corporation does, none the less, seek changes in the functions of the two tiers, so that the borough would not seek to be an education of the two tiers, so that the borough would not seek to be an education.

## Weather forecast and recordings



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Channel Islands: Dry, summy
periods; wind NE, light or 7 pm, 64 per
moderate; max temp 17°C (63°F).

East Anglia, Borders, NE and E
England. Edinburgh, Dundee:
Mainly dry, sumy intervals; wind
N, moderate; max temp 14°C
(57°F).

Lake District, NW and central
N England, N Wales, Glasgow,
Central Highlands, Argyll, SW

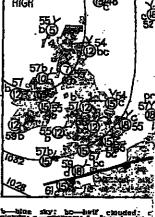
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7 am, 8°C (67°C). Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

Scotland, Isle of Man, N Ireland:
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light; max temp 16°C (61°F).
Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE and
NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland:
Dry, sumny intervals; wind N,
light or moderate; max temp
11°C (52°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Little change.
Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind N, moderate; sea moderate, becoming slight.
English Channel (E), St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind NE, moderate; sea slight.

Saturday

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 14°C (57°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 8°C (46°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 64 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm, nil. Sun, 24 hr to 7 pm, 0.5 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,026.8 millibars = 29.53 in.





7 pm, 76 per cent. Rain, 24 to 7 pm, a trace. Sun, 24 hr 7 pm, 4.2 hr. Bar, mean sea lec 7 pm, 1,028.3 millibars, falling. At the resorts



#### Condition of collapsed giraffe improves

The condition of Victor, the 15-year-old garaffe which col-lapsed at Marwell Park Zoo, Winchester, last Thursday, im-proved a little yesterday. Further attempts to lift him were being considered.

Mr John Knowles, the owner of the zoo, said the graffe had begun to take long drinks of water and appeared to be gaining strength.
Zoo officials were considering last night the possibility of winching him up with a block and tackle supported on scaffolding. If the plan goes ahead, he will be placed in a

specially padded crate for support.
The animal is thought to have slipped while trying to mate with one of three females.

Conservative choice Mr David Atkinson, aged 37, an Essex county councillor and an Esset county content and former chairman of the National Young Conservatives, has been selected by Bournemouth, East Tories to fight the seat vacated by Mr John Cordle.

! Student organizer

We are all against the closed shop in principle in the Conservative Party. There is no doubt about that. The only question is, how far can you put things which you do not agree with . . . how far can you put those right by legislation? For example, pricketing, what happened outside Grunwick, was wrong by law. But the existence of the law did not put it right, so it may be that we will not put the worse aspects of the closed shop right by law. But there are some things that we are going to do.

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right to work, he is sacked, he has no right to compensation. It is very knoile I think, that if that had happened to an employee years ago the trade unions would have been the first to complain about it and say this is iniquitous."

It cannot have compulsory reinstatement. I do not know of any statement. I do not kn

It is very strange that an employee has a right of action against an employer who is unjust, but he has no right of action, no recourse to Parliament or to the law, as things are at the moment, if his union is unjust to him. As thing stand at the moment, as Michael Foot (former Secretary of State for Employment) made them, and the Socialist Party approved, a person can lose his job, not because he has been had at it—he may have been working at it and been very good for years—but because he refused to join a particular union; not (the Scarman report on Grunwick). It is a very important question and I do not want to have people not discuss it at all. I think they should discuss it. The whole of trade unionism, the whole of the closed shop, the whole of what was happening outside Grunwick is something which is giving the public a great deal of cause for concern.

ray it is "bashing" Parliament if you criticize what is happening in Parliament; we do not say it is "bashing" the Civil Service if you criticize what is happening in the Civil Service.

a particular union, he has lost his Let us have discussion open in Public expenditure cuts: "It is right to work he is sacked he the Conservative Party. We do not astonishing that what the Governastonishing that what the Government is doing now under the IMF, and things are improving, are all the things we have been advocating. Oh no, they could not be done when we advocated them. Then they got into such a mess that the IMF said "if you want to borrow money do this", and they are doing it.

If, for example, we were to do on a national scale what our Conservative leaders have done in Leeds, just by going through and secing what economies are there to be made, we should have 5750m off.

Government: I think governments go into far too many areas, far too many decisions in society, and Government really has tried to stop a good deal of individual liberty. I want to roll back the areas of decision by governments, both from people and from businesses. That is not Government's lob

nesses. That is not Government's job.

The fact is that other nations that have not so much control by governments have a far better and higher degree of prosperity for their people than ours has.

I want to go from the present flar non-expansion, non-growth. I want to go from the present flat, non-expansion, non-growth, non-incentive society, to what I would call an incentive-enterprise package, and indeed in The Right Approach we had an emerprise package. Do not clobber small businesses; encourage them. That is where the growth is, That is where the employment is.

How far would Tories go, page 14:

Leading article, page 15

## Bitter dispute over New Zealand butter

When the heavyweights of the British dairy industry assembled a mouth ago to discuss their latest monthly report they turned inevitably to New Zealand. The milk group of the economic development committee (Little Neddy) for food and drink decided unanimously that continued sales of New Zealand butter and cheese in Britain could "seriously prejudice efforts by the (Bridish) industry to increase production".

The contract which allows New EEC interests outside Britain there is no excess for

Student organizer

The Labour Party has appointed its first full-time national student organizer. He is Mr Michael Gapes, aged 25, of London.

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The dispute goes beyond the bounds of commerce, and bitterness and bewilderment can be found on both sides. New Zealand relies on farm exports as much as some of the small nations of the EEC which depends on Britain to absorb much of their dairy exports. Despite falling consumption of butter, Britain remains the

largest dairy importer in the world. EEC interests outside Britain say efforts by the (British) industry to increase production".

The contract which allows New Zealand to send specified amounts of Cheddar cheese to Britain will expire on New Year's Eve. The Contract for much greater amounts of New Zealand butter will end time years later.

The British dairy industry made it clear when the milk group report appeared that it was as determined as any other EEC dairy lobby to keep New Zealand produce our after the present contracts expired. An official of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food who sits on the group was invited to speak.

He said with the air of a new boy who had strayed into the preferences' room: "It is not likely that the Government will be able to go the whole way that the industry suggests." That was a mite of reassurance for New Zealand chiry firmers and processors, who are as determined to stay in Britain as their EEC counterparts are to keep them out.

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New Zealanders recognize increasingly that they will not win new contracts with appeals to history which range from the start of their large-scale dairy trade with Britain in the nineteenth century to their participation in the Battle of Britain. Their policy now is to strip away the respectable skirt in which the CAP is clothed and reveal the grubby underwear beheath.

Dairy farmers in New Zealand receive less than two thirds for their milk of the price paid to farmers in Britain and Ireland. Butter is sold in New Zealand shops at less than two thirds of the price at which subsidized British butter is sold in British shops.

In the words of Mr Lawrence Fris, chairman of the New Zealand in London last week: "The interests

of the British consumer are in my opinion belog completely dis-regarded. We cannot accept that total exclusion will be the answer to all the Community's problems in terms of surplus dairy production. This is completely misleading. There will be no solution to this problem until fair trading conditions apply internationally." EEC policy is notorious for holding to inflexible rules inside while accepting anarchy outside. Its policy of dairy exports is incoherent, and it is often criticized for erraric issues of food

aid.

Ten years ago the Community issued more than 100,000 tonnes of skim milk powder in food aid. In 1973 the total was below 30,000 tonnes, while by 1976 it had risen to 150,000 tonnes. It is expected to be even higher this year as the internal milk surplus increases.

where in the EEC there is much more emotion and bitterness. Furners and dairymen there cannot understand why the British Government should want to bend Community rules for New Zealand's benefit once it had accepted the verdict of the electrorate in the 1975 referendum. They regard it as a further example of Britain's equivocal, half-hearted and greedy attitude to membership.

Mr Joseph McGough, managing director of An Bord Bainne, the Irish dairy board, said: "I am absolutely astonished that a condition of Britain's reentry into the Common Market was a concession to New Zealand in respect of butter and cheese. We could not for the life of us understand why this should happen. We could not for the life of us understand why this should happen. We could not for the life of us understand why this should happen. We could not for the life of us understand why this should happen. We could not guaranteed such enormous tonages. It is incredible to face another three and a half years of vast quantities of butter coming in.

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"I think that while one may be sympathetic to New Zealand, business is business and Briain will have to face one decision in face of membership of the Common Market. Which comes first, Common Market or Common wealth?"

He was right to raise the wider issue, since the debate about New Zealand butter and cheese inevitably nurus itself into a debate about the validity of British membership of the EEC.

If Britain accepts all the implications of the common agricultural policy there is no place for New Zealand butter and cheese. But in its determination to preserve marketing boards for milk in the face of opposition from Brussels, the British dairy lobby hus itself shown that it does not accept all of those implications.

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## University principal | Expulsion by backs controversial plea bargaining report

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ment departments".

An academic study of pica gation of acquittals at con-bargaining in the courts, which tested criminal trials, Dr John has been criticized by the Law Baldwin and Dr Michael

Socity, the Bar Council and the Home Office, was yesterday defended by Sir Robert Hunter, Vice-Chancellor and Principal of Birmingham University, as a "responsible piece of work".

The study, to be published on Thursday with a foreword by Sir Robert, states that at ladge and one defence counsel. on Thursday, with a foreword gain being struck between by Sir Robert, states that at ludge and one defence counsel, Birmingham Crown Court bar or some kind of "nod and gaining between judgew and wink" understandings existing in court, or else threats o r in nuendo from knyyers to their clients that such a plea would benefit them.

Using the testimony of former defendants, Dr Bakiwin and Dr McConville recon-structed the sequence of events and Dr between arrest and conviction in more than a hundred case studies. Pressure for guilty pleas is general, they say, and they cite other studies that show that people acquitted in crimonal trials were also threatened.

That research been criticized, Mr Peter W.EBSTER, QC, chairman of the Bar, told the Home Office on the unchecked complaints on of convicted riminals could not possible be described as

The publication of the study was welcomed yesterday by the National Council for Civil Liberties, which is investigating a number of cases of allegedly improper pressure on defendants. A spokesman for PROP, the national prisonesr' movement, said its main concern was

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een concerned up. Mr John Pardoe, the Liberal tare as to how ill founded the current euphoria is.
"After three years of a Labour Government industrial production is now lower than it was during the three-day week; unemployment is at its greatest height for 40 years and the debts that Mr Healey has piled up are of such dimensions that the Government's total receipts

and the end of 1980 will meet only a fifth of the cost of servicing them", be said.
Attack on state aid: All social services should be paid for directly by those who need them rather than by taxpayers, Mr David Alexander, chairman gence of a new nationalist-of the rightwing Conservative oriented element, will have on Selsdon group, said in St Ives, Mr Lynch's tables with Mr "the enemy of effective

welfare politics', he said.
"In a free and middle-incom society, social services should be denationalized and people trusted to look after their own welfare ", Mr Alexander said. Unity call: Mr Nicholas Scott, Conservative MP for Kensington and Chelsea and president of the Tory Reform Group. of the Tory Reform Group, called on Saturday for an end to personal attacks by members the group on Sir Keith seph. "Our task must be to unite behind Mrs Thatcher in ensuring the next general elec-tion is as early and as decisive as possible ", hes aid.

Belfast Lough, Carrickfergus in co AKNTRIM, AND Bangor in co Down, was partly foiled on Saturday when police discovered seven incendiary devices verea seven incendiary devices in a shopping bag in Carrick-fergus. Yesterday three girls were being interviewed. Two bombs placed in shops in the town were discovered before they went off.

At Bangor five fires were

started by incendiary devices, the targets including a furni-ture store, an inn, and a cash and carry stop.

## Our Medical Correspondent

Intending medical students.
Il find details of admission iicies and the curricular var-ions in the 38 medical ools in Britain and Ireland la guide published today by
General Medical Council,
statutory body responsible
doctors education.

The academic standards uired of medical students re risen steadily to their thest level ever, Sir John atherston, chairman of the IC education committee, y in his introduction. But y 10 schools rely solely on demic ability; 17 try to account of motivation, 18 make a more general essment of personality.

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third of the entrants to some Irish schools (which select strictly on academic performance) come from overseas. However, while some medi-all schools take up to 15 per

Cambridge, Sheffield, Trinity, Dublin, and the Royal College initides to mature and reas students vary widely of Surgeons in Ireland, hold a London Hospital and Bris-University have recently aspiring entrants but the other 33 rely on the grades obtained in the school elaving exami-

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all schools take up to 15 per cent nature students, none will consider applicants aged over 30 (except in very unusual circumstances) and most will not take students who have had a serious physical or mental illness. mental illness.

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## SDLP of Mr Paddy Devlin

Mr Paddy Devlin, former spokesman of the Social Democratic and Labour Party, and former chairman of the party's constituency representatives, has been expelled from the party. The decision was taken at a meeting of the executive in Belfast on Saturday on the ground of his "consistent astacks on party policy and leadership "

Mr Devlin, who attended a conference on Angki-Irish relations at Oxford at the week-end, is expected to comment on his expulsion in a few days, when the parry's new policy document is published.

When he resigned last month from the chairmanship

of the constituency group, Mr
Devlin criticized the party's
policy and its leadership on a
number of points, including a
drift from socialist principles
towards "green flag nationalism". Mr Gerard Fitt, MP, leader

of the party, denied yesterday that there had been my such change. "I believe there is as much democratic socialist principle in the party today as when it waw first founded ", he said. He regretted that it had been necessary to expel Mr Devin, and said that it would

differences with his colleagues before making his views pub-Earlier this month Mr Fitt said that the party has no intention of watering down its demand for power-sharing in government or of abandoning

its Irish dimension policy.
The party codument will now be scrumized much more carefully than it would other-wise have been. The direction in which the party is headed will be subjected to a new critical assessment by its members, and particularly by those who feel that there is no future in resurrecting a sterile nationalism at the behest of the hard-line element.

Others, critical of Mr Devlin, point out that last year he voted in favour of a British declaration of intent to with-draw from the province, and feel that it is he, rather than party, who has changed opinions.

There is speculation that the next general election Mr Devlin may contest the Belfast, West, seat at Westminster held by Mr Fitt. A more immediate question

is the effect the split in the SDLP, coupled with the emerthese latest moves as the final nail in the Unionist-SDLP any attempt by Mr Lynch to encourage Mr Callaghan to continue with the power-shar-ing concept will be to seek the impossible and merely ensure

An incendiary bomb stack on two towns on each side of

#### Darlington strike by printers will continue

Darlington printers decided to remain on while efforts continue to solve the Westminster Press journa lists' dispute of mediation. Sixty-five officials of the National Graphical Association throughout the group met i Darlington on Saturday to di-cuss their support for th journalists, who have been o strike for 16 weeks over the demand for a closed shop. N decision to intensify the strik

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e outline of the fort's itsions, on Drumquhassle south of Loch Lomond. faintly discerned on a teraph taken during an a search for hidden seed sites. For about years erchaeologists had cted that there would be a link in the chain of a fortifications which ran the southern edge of the

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Mr Gordon Maxwell, an investigator working on the survey said the photographic evidence had been confirmed

by ground investigation. The four marked the western end of a chain of eight strongholds used by troops around the year AD 52. The best known is the legionary fortress at Inchutchild, near Councar Angus, which guards Coupar Angus, which guards the Dunkeld Gap.

The latest discovery emerged partly through last summer's drought. Parch marks on the ground disclosed regular lines of Roman trench work. From encient fort, from which about Roman cohorts once set out to surbdue and keep peace between the warring local tribes, water was discovered.
"The fort

limits of the empire pulled back at that time. would not be defined. Also almost wiped it out, so the vived." Mr Maxwell said. The line of forts was br during the campaign of Jus before Hadrian's Wall built, as a substantial north The fort would originally been formed by a high com rampart guarded by o ditches. The area is about 0 yards by 140 yards and wid have had accommodation r about one cohort of 500 at There are no plans to vete the area out Druga-hassle will be added to thest

#### Counting e Scottishvoter-1

## Labor MP who confounds the conventions of politics

stirring a Scotla Mr Collaghan is a be food north of the borer by formidable visitation of so ministers and Mrs thatche to make a Highland our Il this week. Meanwhil the Sish National Party haslaunc one of its biggest carpaignet to press the attracons offependence. Voters i Scotl can clearly look forurd to be relentless courtship by politicians during le cang months,

and part work sense that the opting inds of a protracte geal election campaiginas he begin. In the first fourticles Ronald Faux tak to Mam Dalyell Labour P for est Lothian. The ouse the Binns stands istuelsolation on a

stands istate suction on a hill copteoped the weather vane in richs of history. The corrysid beyond rolls gently by in fine imitation of miressex rith only an occasiol dull own pit bing pokingbove a tree line to indicara commining area. The neer of he house has the age ancel-

While is the that the days are hally gos when Scottish social migh be recognized by the flat aps and worn

Dos wat more pa becarse have been more appropriate if Mr Devlin had discussed his of ktra eaching Unraity techers want moreoney beause they are

work harder hich, they say world harder inch, they say in histry woul entitle them to a ly increass Mr Laurence Sapp general secretary of the sociation f University Tears, said yearday: "We are wing 10,0 more studenthis year, ith a reduction the unit ost per student of the control of the

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"is is effectely increasing niversity dis' teaching loadand whereasin industry this nd of situath would be neglated with it unions in theorm of a roductivity de universities, trough im-po cash limits, we had no nefations and n reward."

boots, t is hard to see him as a Latur MP nominated by the sale miners of West Lothias a round-vowelled product othe system that Scottish Labour folk are supposed to dislike.

founds he normal rules and paimer of politics. In six general acctions since 1962 he has defeted Mr William Wolfe, Chairma of the Scottish NationaParty, and resisted the nationalic tide even when the computes predicted that he would be our of office.

The Buse of the Binns, the historic some of the Dalyell family, us the first large property to e placed in the of the Nional Trust for Scot-land, he Mini with Mr Dalyell the wheel swept Dalyell : the wheel swept down the long drive through the 200 res of ground and the MP deribed his problems.

"You se, you have to understand thatwe have been living with the NP in West Lothian for more can ten years. It is the Dalye-Wolfe show here. Not that tere is any acrimony between u as individuals, but I am unterl massively opposed to what it nationalists stand for, becaus I believe they

Ministers save told bakers

that if they coperate to keep prices downlaring the bread

shortage thenced not fear pro-secution fr operating a restrictive trie agreement. To do that the Government

has combed brough some of its most obsce legislation and

issued an org outside Parlia-ment, of whichnly three copies will be pried for public distribution, se will be dis-

played in Lonon, one in Edin-

The move isspecially ironic

since it is oy two months

since minister publicly con-

demned large read companies

for not noting restrictive agreements. It illustrates the Government's stermination to

burgh and onen Belfast.

By Hugh Cyton

1666 speaking.

down on the hopes of the Fauldhouse Gala Committee and people to see him.

Government gives assurance to bakers

Soon after 9 am Mr Dalyell Outside the rain is buckering turning the bright bunting into limp and dripping decoration. There is a steady flow of

his local MP did not support the Rooker and Wise action and declares that if the tax threshold on low-paid workers was lifted it would do more than anything else to help pay restraint. Mr Dalycll scribbles on a sheer of House of Commons notepaper, seals the suggestion in an envelope and addresses it to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Two complaints about blocked drains and a housing problem

have been General Tam owls or something less Dalyell who routed the pleasant?" Another prescrip-Covenanters at Rullion Green in tion wings its way to the local

opens his Saturday surgery in the empty bar of a working man's club near Fauldhouse. Alth

The first man complains that

fend off accusations of failing to prevent profiteering from the bread shortage.

holding down prices. The relevant clause covers agreements designed either to prevent or restrict increases or

eyebrows disappearing into his His duties in the European hairline. "Sure they are not Parliament make that more dif-

The complexity of the bread

laws has compelled it to make this exceptional move so as to

be seen to be acting against ex-cessive prices. Only about a

fifth of the bread normally made in England and Wales is

now being produced, because of

a strike by workers in the big-gest bakeries.

The order, made by Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Pro-tection, applies to members of the National Association of

Master Bakers, Caterers and Confectioners. Such an order is allowed under section 30 of the Restrictive Trade Practices

Act 1976, headed "Agreements less than 80z.

authority and one imagines that the seagulls will not remain much longer on their new

Although he was nominated by the miners Mr Dalyell does not regard his constituency as a mining area. Such a description does not take account of the Leyland motor works, the Grangemouth chemical plant, electronics factories, distillery works, one of the biggest forge plants in Europe and a new town full of new industry. One claim is that West Lothian has more capital in-

vested in it than anywhere north of Manchester, and Mr Dalyell fears what would hap-pen to all that industry should Scotland become independent and the Scottish pound float significantly higher than the English pound.
As the Fauldhouse Queen is

crowned amid a blast of brass drains and a housing problem receive a similar prescription. written in a scrawl to match that of any doctor, and are sent to the appropriate local official.

A woman complains that there are seagulis in her artic. "Seagulis?" booms the MP, are broated a blast of brass crowned amid a blast of brass band music, a man sidles up with a tax problem. "I am never surprised where people approach me. I once gave advice on a rox matter treading water in a pool." Availability and being seen in the constituency are vital, he believes.

to secure reductions ".

Although bread prices are already controlled under the Bread Prices (No 2) Order, 1976 (Amendment) (No 2)

rive. They set ceilings for bread prices in shops, but the ceilings cory according to area and according to the price paid by each shop to the baker.

Estimates of what particular

loaves ought to cost are further complicated by the fact that the

price ceilings do nor apply to some loaves, including those that weigh more than the 28oz of the normal large white or

the European Parliament conmittee on the control of public expenditure was postponed. A former French government minister and European col-

league sympathized with Mr Dalyell, saying that Bastille Day was the same for him. The signs are that the SNP is still gaining ground in West Lothian. Recently it won a local by-election in a ward that had been Labour for as long as anyone could remember. At the next election Mr Dalyell will fight again, meeting the SNP head on with the separation issue, regardless of the Labour Party in Scotland decides. Mr Dalyell considers

Some party workers in West Lothian believe there are more important issues, unemployment in particular, and that perhaps they would be better off with a more conventional Labour MP, but the majority dismiss this idea. "He is a bloody fine fighter and he cares about people. The accent and the background do not court. People may vote against Labour but I honestly do not believe they will vote against Tam." Next: Scottish Nationalists.

#### Contest on ways to restore

Southend pier By Our Planning Reporter Suggestions for restoring and finding new uses for Southend pier are invited in a competi-

tion announced today. Prize money offered by the council and local firms totals more than £1,000, and entrants will be divided into three categories: professional architects, the general public and schools. The competition is organized by the Royal Institute of British Architects in association with the council and the Southend Evening Echo. Further details are obtainable from Mr David Charles, chairman of the institute's south Essex chapter, 68 East Street, Rochford, Essex



## There's something new in the air at 22 Park Lane.

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The Rof at the London Hilton.

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From Charles largrove

The night fore M Robert

meeting of th Union of the

Left, French evision showed the old Peter Hers fim The

They and the press would

have done wel to pay more attention to whithe ma often

described as the Tom Tumb of the left had sen saying for weeks and again his dening speech at the "mmit" "Yes

to an advanced emocrac; No

to state capitalin and ollec-tivism. M Fale added that,

for his party, it was simply a matter of surviv. It could not

In the clash bween the two giants of the lit, the small voice of the LeftRadicals went

unheeded. No onemagine that a crisis would beef the imior

partner's makin,
The Communiss and Scialists should kney by now, however, that M libre is not the kind to too le line unquestioningly. Last summer he complained about he aggressiveness of the Commists and the domineering attudes of the Socialists on sevel occasions.

Internment to years ago

Just under tw years ago
when, to the irrition of his
partners, he calleon President
Giscard d'Estaingfor talks at
the Elysee, he showed he
needed no one o help him
make up his min He held his
ground emphasian

He has no timefor theatrica

gestures or publicy stunts. He partied company with M Jean Jacques Servan threiber, the leader of the nam Radical

Party, in 1972, cause he disapproved of his istrionics and his weakness r personality

M Fabre is appical product of provincial plical socialist

from south-witern France where left-win auditudes and strong republian principles combine with plourful indivi-dualism and deep faith in

indeed reards himself.

At Vil franche-de-Rouergue

a picturique little town of about 10.00 inhabitaots, with a sprinklin of light industres, half way between Cahors and

Rodez, h has been mayor since 1953, as his father and grand-father we before him.

Like tem, he is a pharmacist.

The famy shop, where he still

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WEST EUROPE

## EEC moves to avoid creating a 'sugar mountain'

Brussels, September 18

The European community faces the danger of a "sugar mountain", brought about by the surplus in production, officials in Brussels fear.

With the Community in the embarrassing position of going into the United Nations conferwhich has already opened in Geneva—without a common position, foreign min-isters of the Nine meet this week to try to patch up a last-

Because the Community is the biggest trader in sugar, there can be no effective international agreement without it. Consequently, the developing countries—not least the North African and Caribbean countries to and Caribbean countries to which Eritain feels a special obligation—have become highly critical of European selfishness for failing to reach an agree-

The difficulty, after the ex-ceptionally wet weather which has increased beet production,

comes from French and Belgian growers' reluctance to accept export quotas.

The Commission in Brussels has proposed that the Community should have a special status, outside the quotas system for the rest of the producers, but even this compromise has so far proved too much for the French and Belgians to swallow.

It was not so long ago that shortages of sugar sent prices soaring, but now the market, in the words of M Claude Cheysson, a member of the Commis-sion responsible for develop-ment, has become "scandal-

With the world in surplus, prices continue to slide towards £100 a tonne. Officials in Brussels expect this trend to conseis expect this tread to con-tinue for at least another 12 months, with the surplus reach-ing as much as four or five million tonnes, a large part of which will be on the Com-

Apart from the Community, all the countries at the Geneva conference are insisting on export quotes as the only way to ensure price stabilization.

## Portugal's ruling council passes land reform law

From Our Correspondent Lisbon, Sept 18

Portugal's ruling Council of the Revolution has given final approval to the new law and land reform, already passed by Parliament and the constitucommittee, operates in conjunction with the Council.

The new law, which was passed with a majority vote of the Socialists and Social Demo-

March by

Basques in

**Pamplona** 

From Our Correspondent

30,000

Madrid, Sept 18

opposed by the Communists, who are powerful in the south-ern farming area of the Aleutejo province.

It supersedes the land reform law promulgated in the time of the government led by General Vasco Gonçalves. Among the alterations to the Gonçalves law disputed by the Communists is an extension of the area of land that may be claimed for his own use by a landowner who is to be legally expropriated.



Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the Christian Social Union ader, speaks under guard at Ottobeuren, West Germany. thing to add to his stement on Friday that negliations were continuing.

It appears that the kid-nappears have not speated earlier moves to inform other

#### Blackout on news of kidnap

Bonn, Sept 18.—A meeting of senior officials to review the crisis caused by the kidnapping of Herr Hauns-Martin Schleyer, West German industrialist. day, was believed to have been held here today

It is believed that contact with the kidnappers, members of the Red Army Group, has not been broken, but there were no reports of new develop-A Geneva Iswyer, Mr Denis Payot, who is acting as an intermediary, said he had no-

The kidnappers have threatened to kill Herrichleyer unless 11 jailed Re Army Group members are teed. It is generally believed by will carry out their threat. Herr Schleyer is bleved to be still alive and e news-paper Die Welt hasreported Wednesday's newspo

individuals and news gencies of their conditions or the release of Herr Schley

that a new videotapenas been received showing hi reading Five countries, Sour Yemen Libya, San and are reporte to have ro accept eed Red Group mabers. refused

## 'Only Christian heritage can effectively unite Euppe'

## Churchmen spurn political bits in debate on European union

From Peter Nichols

About 30,000 people took art in a peaceful demonstra-The high Barroque splendour of Ottobeuren's Imperial Abbey tion in the northern Spanish city of Pamplona last night in a demand for a total arrowsty, legalization of all political parties and autonomy for the Basque region. Marching behind the flags of

the Eusque region and the pro-vince of Navarra, the demonmissal of Senor Rodolfo Marand Senor Amadeo Marco y Lincocta, the president of the Provincial Delegation of the central government.

Basque civil war veterans who fought against General Franco held their first legal meeting in the ancient town of Guernica today and reaffirmed their oath of allegiance before the oak tree which symbolizes the free spirit of the Basques. They then attended a Requiem Mass in the town of Mundaca, near Guernica in memory of their companions killed in the

Señor Manuel Clavero Arevalo, the Minister for Regional Relations, said on Friday that he will represent the Madrid Government in negotiations with Basque nationalist leaders to draw up a home rule statute

for the region.

He added that the Basques would be represented by their elected members in the Spanish Parliament, rather than by the Basque govern-ment in exile, at the specific request of the Basque exiles' leader, Senor Jesus Maria Lei-

Señor Clavero Arévalo also revealed at his press con-ference on Friday that the Generalitat, or autonomous Catalan Government, might be proclaimed by the end of the month on a provisional basis, pending the drafting of the new Spanish constitution.

The minister added that Senor Josep Terradellas, present president of the Generalitat in exile, could be apparented to apparent of the department of the dep expected to return to the Cata-lan capital of Barcelona then, after visiting Madrid.

#### Good chance of survival seen for sextuplets

to exert pressure on the Government to put them under civilian rather than military control, increase their pay, reduce their work load and give them better working conditions and equipment Leyden, The Netherlands, Sept 18.—A 28-year-old woman g re birth to sextuplets early today and doctors have given the four girls and two boys a Minister of Transport and Communications, at which the minister promised them that most of their demands would The hospital said that the babies were in very good condition with weights varying from 2.21b to 2.75lb. The hospital said that if the sextuplets—the first ever born in The Netherlands—survive, it would be the first time all babies in such a large multiple birth lived longer than a few longer than birth lived longer than a few Frail Pope moved by crowd's welcome

200,000 people gathered yester-

day in pouring rain to cheer the

Pape on his first journey out-

side Rome for more than a year. The Pope, who will be 80 on September 26, looked frail and

tired but was visibly moved by

the crowds as he was driven

through the streets of this Adriatic resort in an open car

sheltered by an umbrella. He flew to Pescara from Rome for a three-hour visit to the Italian

Eucharistic Congress.

the sumptuous setting today for a bold assertion of the decisive role which Christi-anity must play in any fresh effort at building a united

first direct elections to the European Parliament planned next year. In fact, the results of two days' work, connected by a night of prayer in the bracing air of the Bavarian Aligau went far beyond that.

Thanks were due less to the politicians than to the churchmen, who had clearly done more original thinking about the subject and were more prepared to be both frank and ambitious. Cardinal Benelli, Archbishop of Florence, who gave the main speech in the Kaisersaal of the Benedictine monastery, said that Europe would be united effectively only if proper value was placed on the Christian heritage. The reverse might also be true: that one reason why the

movement towards unity had fallen on bad times was the

From Our Correspondent

Air traffic was back to

normal in Spain today after air

controllers ended their go-slow

in return for a promise that their main demands would be

The slow-down began at 10

am on Friday and did not end until midnight yesterday, pro-voking the cancellation of scores of domestic flights, as well as some foreign flights of Spanish airlines, and causing delays of up to 11 hours for

The controllers decided earlier this week to do only half as much work as normal,

The strike was called off

after a four-hour meeting in Madrid between their represen-tatives and Senor José Llado.

be met in a new set of regula-

tions which he expected the

including 20 cardinals, assem-

bled cold and wer in an open-

air amphitheatre at the sea

faltering several times, he

delivered a 15-minute sermon calling again for Christian unity and reminding Roman

Catholics of their duty every Sunday to attend Mass, "the

front to greet the Pope,

pivot of religious life ".

He criticized the

and equipment.

Madrid, Sept 18

Air traffic back to normal

in Spain but not Portugal

spirit in Europe. He appeared to the other Christian churches, several of which had representatives to hear him, to help the process by advancing their own endeavours towards Christian unity. He went out of his way to

deny any ambitions on the part of the Roman Catholic Church to claim hegemony over a meeting here of politicians and churchmen was to study the Christian contribution to the importance of his resistance of

He was preceded at the rostrum by envoys from the Greek Orthodox Church, the Church of England, the Evangelical-Lutheran Church, the Old Catholics and the Russian Orthodox Church in Exile. Dr R. R Williams, Bishop of

Leicester, gave a strong warn-ing against Christian churches being tempted to identify with any particular political party or to believe that ecclesiastical hierarchies could still hope to dominate society.

"It is our tradition to hope for Christian convictions among men and women of all parties.
The Labour Party had as one of its origins the frae church tradition of democratic Christian life while the Church of England has also had a stream

time, the controllers had been working to rule, which meant

long delays, particularly in peak holiday traffic.

Our Lisbon Correspondent

writes:

been made.

are illegal.

Church and civil diguitaries, cal mentality " which he saw

or amphitheatre at the sea rounding impassioned but ranks of Christ's followers,

sociologi-

writes: Five thousand passengers a day are being

grounded by the pilots' strike the Portuguese air company

TAP, which is now in its second

Talks have been going on

between the pilots' union and the Government-appointed committee that runs the con-

pany but little progress has

work have been served on the

pilots but they say the orders

Lisbon airport's TAP counter

is constantly mobbed by stranded holidaymakers. Sep-

arate contracts have been agreed by the pilots and

governments of Madeira and the Azores, which are virtually cut

of the strike.
Lisbon, Sept 18.—A TAP
Boeing 727 flew to the Azores

today to collect some of the 1,000 tourists stranded there by

the strike. The aviation authori

manned by a non-union crew.

developing in Christians.

ties said the aircraft was

Abour a dozen of TAP's 300

The sociological mentality.

gaining ground even in the ranks of Christ's followers, would like him to give the basic solution to social and economic problems", he said.

"It accuses his school, which

concentrates on the mysteries and conquests of the superna-

tural world, of failing in its

Orders compelling them to

weakening of the Christian of thinkers, from HD. Maurice spirit in Europe. He appealed to the other Christian churches, expounded Christian socialism. The Conservative Party has strong traditional aks with the Church of Englan and many leaders value the imphasis on the individual and individual liberty which that party has at the forefront of a policy."

It would be in and mis-taken to expect return of Christendom "in he sense of a society dominated the visible church. It is not ain to hope tion and symboled by Christian architectur and culture may once more ove to be the guiding light no only of indi-vidual conscience but of European, national and social

Yesterday wa dominated by the politicians, ho spoke to a crowd several ousand strong in the Abbey rounds. Herr Franz-Josef Struss, leader of the Bavarian pristian Social Union, was in the forefront. He and Dr Helmun Kohl, leader of the West Genan Christian Democrats, and applause mainly by att king Eurocommunism and by it king Eurocommunism and by it wing dangers threatening E ope from Italy Yesterday wa dominated by threatening Etope from Italy

#### Earth temor shakes Northern Italy

and France.

Udine, Ser 18 .- There were two earth trinors in the pro-vince of Frili today, but no casualties of damage were reported. arly yesterday thousands of people in the pro-vince fled its the open when a powerful tremor, lasting several secolds and registering 5.1 on the Ichter scale, shook their home. The tremor was felt all over northern Italy, from Mila Venice. to Trieste and

uildings\_collapsed Several in the smal town of Gemona that was bally hit in the earthquake of lay last year, in which almost 1,000 people lost their lives.

re no reports of There casualties a yesterday's tremor which was also felt in southern Austria. The Austrian seismo-logical station placed the epi-centre pear Tolmezzo in centre northern

It was be 395th tremor registered in Fiuli since last year's earthqual, which registered 6.5 on the Echter scale.—Agence France-Prisse and Reuter. King of Spain returns Madrid Sept 18.—King Juan Carlos of Queen Solia of Spain

ome today from a sixreturned points to a six nation tour of Latin America.
They vieted Venezuela, Guatemala, Italians, El Salvador,
Costa fica and Panama.—

sent to Austria Vinna, Sept 18.-Mr Frank Mapl, wanted for questioning by Sotland Yard about a 1975 raid on the Bank of America in Over Street, London, has heenextradited from Greece to Austia. He is wanted there in connxion with a raid on a hote near Kitzbühel in Febru-

jottins on current events, published ast summer, he summed up its political philosophy, which could be described as a

which could be described as a sort of humanistic sociation.

"Hving remained human in scrale Villefrancine escapes from he anonymity of dormitory lities," he wrote. "It is truly radical society in which

truly radical society in which a balnce is struck between the indivioual and the community."

Bahk raid man

A Grack court decided last wee that Austria had first right to the him since once in Britain Fould no longer be liable fer xtradition to Austria.

Inflation hits beer festival Munica. Sept 18.—The annual

Munichli beer festival began during be weekend. In the next two weeks, five million guests are expected from all over the world to down the foaming one-litre mass, a measure, of boer and gorge themselves on German sausage: in sents and halls in

visions as they sit down to lists to one of the 70 bands blang out—inflation has strick and the mass has gone up rom last year's 3.95 marks (99) to 4.25 marks (£1.06). This has not deterred the devices of the festivel, who backed three-quotiers of the seats in the 13 beer tents.

OVERSEAS\_

## S African police keep low profile as thousands mourn black leader after his death in detention

From Our Correspondent Johannesburg, Sept 18
Police kept a deliberately low profile today when thousands profile today when thousands of blacks gathered to mourn Mr Srev. Biko, the black consciousnes leader who died in detation last Monday. There had been concern that the authorities would break up the rallies under the terms of emergency regulations of the Riotous Assemblies Act.

In Soweto, outside Johannesburg, about 3,000 blacks packed the huge Regina Mundi Church, Pabre, the Le Radical leader, walked out office "smuit" Mouse that Roed. M seorges Marchais and M Fancois Mitterrand, the ommunist and Socialist leade, would have been well advid to miditate on the fable.

burg, about 3,000 blacks packed, the huge Regina Mundi Church, but the only untoward incidents occurred when angry blacks ejected a South African Broad-enging Corporation television casting Corporation television crew and representatives of the pro-Government English language newspaper, Citizen, from the rally. Inside the church, wailed as Dr Nthata

waned as Dr Nthata Morlana, chairman of Soweto's Commit-tee of Ten, described Mr James Kruger, the Minister of Police and Justice as an evil genius".

There were innominated reports today that a preliminary report on the post-mortent examination carried out of Mr Biko indicated brain demage. But Mr Donald Woods, a close personal friend of the dead man and the editor of the East

London Daily Despatch news-paper, who saw his body last night, said that he was unaware the any preliminary results had

been drawn up.

Last week, Mr Woods spoke passionately about Mr Biko's death on university campuses in Cape Town and Johannesburg; and Mr Kruger has said that he is consulting his legal advisers whether to sue him.

Mr Kruger said at the weekadvisers whether to see him.

Mr Kruger said at the weekend that Mr Biko, who had
been held since mid-August
under the Terrorism Act,
would have been charged

eventually with inciting arson and rioting. He said he had "secret documents" linking Mr Biko's Black Peoples' Convention with the black conscious ness movement and that he would expose these in the news-Extracts from one of the

documents were published at length in the Citizen on Saturlength in the Citizen on Saturday, which is probably why its reporters were ejected from today's rally in Soweto.

The Johannesburg Sunday Times commented: "The death of Steve Riko in detention was had enough without the squalid efforts now being made to convict him posthumously on charges that were never brought against him when he

and the President.

President Carter was quoted

reassure the Israeli Govern-

Charles Hargrove writes from Paris: The French Government, according to informed circles,

knew nothing of Mr Dayan's

arrival and there was no representative of the Israeli Embassy

to meet him, it seems.

There are rumours here that during his brief stay he met an

envoy of the Egyptian Govern-ment, but this has been firmly

Cairo, Sept 18.— Mr Fahmi today denied he had seen Mr

today denied ne nad seen MP
Dayan in Paris yesterday.

He said at the aixport before
leaving for Washington for
talks with the Carter Administration: "I did not go to Paris.

I have not come Dayan and I

PLO leader

here today as saying emphati

A Nationalist MP was quoted by the Johannesburg Sunday Express as saying: "Jim K (Mr Kruger) has really made a mess of things this time. Doesn't he realize that black consciousness is virtually the cornerstone of separate development and that, in this sense, it is as important as white con-

Bhi

Many Nationalists, the news-paper said, would be satisfied only if Mr Kruger was publicly rebuked by the Prime Minister. There was no confirmation of reports from New York this reports from New York this weekend quoting Mr Vorster 28 weekend quoring any vorster as saying that there would be a judicial inquiry into Mr Riko's death. Mr Kruger has said that an inquest will be a sufficient investigation.

The Government has resisted all dearness for judicial investigations.

all demands for judicial investi-gations into the 20 deaths in detention that have occurred in the past 18 months.

However, the leading Afrikaans-language newspaper,
Rapport, today called a full
inquiry into all deaths of
detainees and hinted that Mr

detainees and native that Mr Kruger might do his own tarnished reputation some good if he ordered a complete investigation into what went on in the security police cells.

#### Mr Fahmi denies he met Israeli leader earlier one between Mr Begin

with my post as Foreign Minister. But it would not be in the public interest to say what that

The belief here is that the meeting with Mr Begin took place at the initiative of Mr Dayan rather than the Prime Minister. The decision to re-turn could not have arisen simply from a need to report to Mr Begin, as this could have been done through normal

channels of communication. It seems therefore that Mr Dayan wanted to consult the Prime Minister on information he received. He may even have wanted to persuade the Prime Minister over decisions that should be taken.

This is whi has laid the Radicals, of rist and left, open to the charge that they are: like radishes, pink outside and The impression here is that whatever Mr Dayan did probably took place in Brussels and that he went to Paris simply because there were no direct flights to Israel from Brussels white inside ut always close to the pat of utter". over the weekend.

to the pat of utter".

There is ming of the man of destiny r the political "star" abound Fabre. No one would ever eam of accusing him, even ratotely, of megalomania. He is in the past few days been trust to the front of the political stage, but this was not hismotive for acting as he did. Le is too shrewd a politician, hivever, not to make Mr Dayan is scheduled to meet Mr Cyrus Vance, the United States Secretary of State at 11 am tomorrow beforet his meeting later in the day with President Carter.

was not hismotive for acting as he did. le is too shrewd a politician, hyever, not to make the most offhe opportunity.

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The Israeli Embassy in London yesterday denied renewed allegations in The Sunday Times that Arab prisoners are tor-ured and accused it of a crude. systematic, ugly smear ampaign against Israel". The Sunday Times claimed

that after its original report in une on Israeli interrogation methods, President Carter had raised the issue with Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, when he visited Washington in July. Mr Begin had then ordered an inquiry.

The article also claimed that the Red Cross had passed to

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In book of reflexions and jottins on current events, pub-

## visits battle zone

Beirut, Sept 18.—Mr Yassir Arafat, leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), has been in the front line during two days of fierce fighting in south Lebanon, a Palestinian newspaper reported moday. The latest battles between the Palestinian-leftist alliance rightist

and Israeli-backed rightist forces broke out at dawn on Falastin al-Thamra, the PLO newspaper, said Mr Arafat spent yesterday and Friday in he operations room in south

Lebanon.
Travellers from the area said the battles, khich were within eight miles of the Israeli border, went on through the night but slackened towards dawn to-day. They said at least 24 people had been killed. To the north, Palestinians and leftists counterattacked against Marjayoun.—Reuter.

#### Egypt reports uranium find Cairo, Sept 18.-A survey by the country. The uranium was

desert regions of Egypt, the official Middle East News

Agency said today.
The agency, which gave no source for its report, said the survey covered 15 per cent of

the Egyptian Atomic Energy
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Commission has proved the existence of large quantities of uranium in various parts of desert regions of Farme the tional companies working in the field of nuclear raw materials to discuss the prospects of co-operation in exploiting the uranium, the report said .--

#### Anglican critics see reforms as unlawful

not yet publicly agreed to join

here today as saying emphatically that he does not support the concept of a separate Palestinian state. He emphasized that he has used the term "Palestinian entity" which could, for instance, indicate the prospect of a link with Jordan. However, this has done little to reassure the Israeli Govern-Dissident leaders plan to Dissident leaders plan to devote the next several months to adding to those parishes that have already seceded from the Episcopal Church. According to their plan, clusters of parishes will then form new dioceses and begin electing bidness.

In addition to the Diocese of the Holy Trinity, the dissident movement includes the Diocese of San Frencisco. These two are believed to contain at least 6,500 parishioners among eight.

The charter provides the first concrete statement of principles on which to build a solid movement. Participants believe it will put the dissident movement on a more unified course. The six-page statement set forth standards of belief and practice, emphasizing the I have not seen Dayan and I am not going to see him until Israel accepts the Arab rights by withdrawing from all territories it occupies and by recognizing the Palestinian rights." need to restrict the priesthood to mes and to retain the 1928 Book of Common Prayer was the only acceptable basis for wor-

A year ago the Episcopal General Conventions approved both the ordination of women 1212 group priests and preliminary accept ance of a revised prayer book.

Those reforms galvanized a fragmented protest movement that had, for a dozen years, complained that the church will be complained to the church will be co was drifting towards liberalism

In making a total break with the ruler. Jareta the church, dissident leaders ignored the pleas of Episcopal ignored the pleas of Episcopal in the arrest of its spokesmen and insisted that the kader. We kader the mainstream of the church the majorities, lad the majorities, lad the majorities, lad the majorities are majorities and the majorities are majoritie

Reflecting that position, the "Affirmation of St Louis", as Friday's charter was officially called, portrays the emerging church as the legitimate bearer of true Anglican principles and says that the Episcopal Church The affirmation accuses the

The affirmation accuses the Episcopal Church of "unlawful attempts to alter faith, order and morality" and of thereby departing "from Christ's one holy, catholic and apostolic church "the charter statement

The charter statement declares that no "schismatic person or body" can depose a valid priest, obviously referring to actions by episcopal bishops against dissident priests.
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The document asserts the new shurch's interir to remaining communion with Canterbury, and disclaims the right to change any traditional understanding or article of faith. The section on morality strongly disapproves of abortion and divorce—on which the tion and divorce—on which the Episcopal Church recently has Episcopal Church recently has become more liberal—New, in the content of the conten

#### Why Pretoria wants Walvis Bay port handling some two million

Fron Ray Kennedy Johanesburg, Sept 18 Welvis Bay, the South African

destreenclave on the Namibian coan, is in a mood of deep depression. The international wrangling

over its status is not the cause. The balk in the gloomy pubsialous the waterfront is not of politics but of pilchards—the lifeblad of the settlement—or rather the lack of them. In the six-month season just ended Walvis Day trawlers have landed 400,000 tons of fish, the

lower catch for 14 years.
The fishermen blame rhe shortage on fleets of foreign trawlers from Russia, Spain, Cuba, Poland, Israel, East Germany, Taiwan and else-where which fish indiscriminately he year round. From all appearances, Walvis Bay. a depressing looking place even when catches are good, is an economic liability. So why should South Africa be

so determined to retain it? so desermined to remain it?
Its drabness and unattractiveness belies its commercial and strategic importance. Commercially it is
South Africa's fifth biggest

tons of cargo a year, including uranium from RTZ's Rossing mine, 40 miles inland. The fishing, canning and fishmeal industry represents a £15m investment. Strategically, it is the most

important harbour on the coast south of Lobito in Angola. It guards the trade route round the Cape of Good Hope from Europe to the Gulf and the Far East. It is also easily accessible from the Americas.

South Africa maintains a military garrison in the 350-square

mile enclave and one reason it is determined to stay there is that if an independent Namibia turned hostile or fell under Murxist domination, it could be developed into a military

Legally, there appears to be little doubt to South Africa's West African Peoples' Organic claim to Walvis Bay. It was formally annexed by Britain in 1878, incorporated into the Union of South Africa garero, the deputy chairman in 1910. It was excluded from bound by colonial treaties from into the Union of South Africa says: "Namibians cannot be in 1910. It was excluded from bound by colonial treaties from the League of Nations mandate the 1830s of which they had me South Mandate the 1830s of which they had me

simply for convenience. The transfer of control to Capt Town puts it administratively back to square one.
But morally, South Africa's position is arguable. The only other harbour on the Namibian constline is Luderitz and its merens and its meren row, rocky inlet makes expan-

sion difficult and expensive. It can only take coasters up to 18ft draught. Walvis Bay commands a fue natural harbour with a sand; bottom which could be dredged to accommodate much large ships. A development pro-gramme already planned cally for the construction of a tanker berth, extensions to wharis the quark, deepening the entrantichannel and the provision a more cargo sheds, cranes are other equipment.

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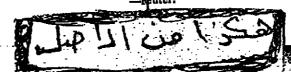
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for him to regain the full con-

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influential members of the

after a proposal by Senator Jacob Javits that a full audit

he made by the Government

Accounting Office of the Eudget Director's current

financial position. The proposal was temporarily withdrawn

following Mr Lance's objec-

Polish bishops attack the media

but the bishops demanded that

the communist authorities should allow radio and tele-

vision broadcasts of the Mass for the benefit of sick people

unable to get to church.

The bishops drew up their

pustoral letter at a conference last June, but it was not pub-

lished until today. The Polish church observes the third Sun-

radio and television, went to

the theatre and cinema, or read

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ment requests a renewal of its

popular mandate in order to

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Although the New Democracy cannot expect another victory as big as that of 1974, early

elections would favour it mainly because the opposition has been

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On the other hand prospects for the early admission of Greece to the EEC have been jeopardized by the flagging of

France's support for Greece. This is because of the opposi-tion by French furners to the

Community's enlargement and the coming French elections in

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Nationalists, the hid, would be said, the stage where full campaign they work have been told that before they work they go to the polls they will know the results of a court will be staged to the polls they will be staged to

they go to the polls they will high treason.

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Budget Director fails to convince many of the senators investigating his affairs Court martial likely to

Washington, Sopt 18
The weary and weekened
United States Director of the

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Budget finally lost his patience

yesterday and, looking up at the full senate committee on

governmental affairs, asked:

question will come in the next few days when President Carter will make a final deci-

sion on whether or not to

force Mr Lance to resign. The

recent days that he is keeping

"an open ind" on the subject although be believes Mr Lance

enhanced his position in his testimony to the Senate com-mittee on Thursday and Fri-

ay. However, Mr Lance did not

do nearly so well yesterday

Roman Catholic bishops of Poland today accused the communist-controlled press, radio and television of promoting "sodless ideology", and "total dictatorship". The media were

undermining religion and spreading class hatred, they

of a pastoral letter read from pulpits of Roman Catholic

churches throughout the coun-

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The media were used "to

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the human person",

From Mario Modiano

Athens, Sept 18
Mr Karamanks, the Greek
Prime Minister, is to call
general elections in November,

a year before they are due, despite his New Democracy

party's two-thirds majority in

choice in view of persistent

claims by the opposition par-ties and press that the 54 per cent of the popular vote his party won in the 1974 elec-tions had been due to fortui-

tions had been due to fortui-tous circumstances, and no longer represented the elec-

torate's will.

Mr Karamanlis feels that ig-

noring this challenge would impair the Government's effective

ness and prestige in handing important bational issues, such as the crisis in relations with

Turkey and negotistions for the early admission of Greece to

The Prime Minister is likely to argue that he had no other

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and President Carter has tion, but Mr Lance must now stated this weekend that he provide the committee with

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misappropriation of public funds as Prime Minister to

General Ziu did not specify any charges last night.

But he did denomice certain " serious irregularities" which, he said, included "inhumm barbar e employed to crush all dissidents and political opponents public funds "for personal laxury and party benefit" and "rigging on a massive scale" of last March's general election.

into all death. Ten other People's Party original restingations would not all death. Ten other People's Party of the investigations would not might do his own a Hafeez Pirzada, the former be used before the elections. Private a complete was detained on the Army's orders criminal cases in the courts, into what went in various parts of the country, and has evidently now been unity police cells. They will be court martialled separately.

Separately. Court martial is General Zia has reversed his changed completely as only last Tuesday, commenting on Mr. Bhutto's release on bail, the General said that Mr. within a week.

The upshot of the weekend's tial law and added "I am not

election campaign, whatever the verdicts. This is what was always wanted by the milinimilitary courts? with vertiry's "hardliners" such as General Faiz Ali Chishti, the General Faiz Ali Chishti, the Rawaipindi-garrison commander was essential the electorate be east from page 1 Army's "election cell", the publicly agreed to key supervisory organ for the publicly agreed to key supervisory organ for the election, and General Muhammad lebal, the Lahore corps he next the page in a fluid political situation in those patients military junta, which

Mr Bhutto was transferred vesterday to Karachi central jail. Incidents were reported from Larkana, where he was arrested at his home. Shopkeepers put up their shutters in protest and barricades were erected on a main road by Peo

ple's Party supporters.
The anti-Bhutto Pakistan
National Alliance, which has told its cancidates to campaign strictly within the dictates of martial law, is far from delighted by the arrest. One senior Alliance figure commented last night that the trouble was that Mr Bhutto lifetime. It was still own highly uncertain how much his court martial would damage his reputation in the backward rural areas. The army leaders appear to be equally uncertain whether they have finally out-smarted Mr Bhurto.

## Commentions approved an ata group state leader and preliminary acc a revised prover harged with corruption

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units.
Mrs Satpathy, whose house in Orissa was raided earlier in the month, told a crowded press conference that "a crisis is brewing in the Januta Party because of the way some people are behaving". She said that "the politics of inquiry commissions" had dangerous consequences.

Even though most opposition parties do not want an early election, they are unlikely to say so in public. However, they make the point that the Prime Minster is, in a sense, usurping the presidential function by forcing the dissolution of Parliament at a time when his party According to Mrs Satpathy, Mr Motarii Desai, the Prime ption charges and later mation of a low leased on bail.

Mr Morarji Desai, the Prime Minister, was unhappy over the action taken against her. (The arrest was at the orders of the Orissa Government.) Mr Chaudra Shekhar, the Janata Party's president, at the Friend (briong the Harijans ("Un siad tod aythat action whould at the Friend (briong the Harijans ("Un siad tod aythat action whould at the Friend (briong the Janata Party should not be in the spirit of affirmation are at the spirit of vindictiveness.

ment at a time when his party controls such a comfortable majority.

According to the constitu-tion the dissolution is man-datory only if (a) the Presi-

Otherwise, the Greek economy is better off new than it is likely to be next year, in view of the continuing dearth of private investment, while the latent Greek-Turkish crisis over the Aegean might flare up again

#### A government with a fresh four-year mandate would be in a better position to confront those issues.

Colonel Igbal Singh was stabbed by an intruder as he slept at his home in the suburb

ast week that, after stabbing him, the intruder forced him and his wife at gunpoint to drive out of Canberra towards the Snow Mountains. Colonel Singh later swerved his car off the road and be and his wife grappled with their captor, who fled into the bush. Colonel Singh is srill in hospital but his condition is described as satsfactory.—Reuter.

## free detainees Katmandu, Sept 13.—Mr Kirtinidhi Dista, the new Prime Minister of Nepal, has promised

would be kept in jail.

held either under the National Security Act, when they can be detained indefinitely without charge, or under the Treason (Crime and Punishment) Act, when specific charges are many. A dissident leader today estimated that 40 to 60 people were in the first category and at least 140 in the second.—Reuter.

Kuala Lumpur, Sept 18.-United Nations High Commission for Refugees will offer aid of £880,000 to Filinino refugoes in the East Malaysian state of Sabah next

year.

Its commissioner here, Mr R. them will leave for the United Sampathumar, said today that States by the end of this a large part of the money month.

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Referring to the 3,400 Victnamese refugees in Malaysia, Mr Samparkumar was hopeful that they would be resettled in a mird country by the middle

resettlement.—Aguice

Seven hours of cross-examination damage Mr Lance

most senior, Senator Abraham Ribicoff and Sentror Charles Percy, were clearly unconvinced by many of Mir Lance's explanations.

At least half the committee

members believed at the end of the hearings this weekend that many of Mr Lance's past It was the moment, perhaps, that many of Mr Lance's past in convince all the senators actions are morally questionable and that some may even action", as he told Governbe illegal. Mr Lance failed to convince all the senators that he did not conceal vit. | infor- of mation from the committee at time of his confirmation last lanuary, that he did not seek to influence Government officials to drop criminal and civil investigations into political and banking affairs and that he did not violate or least four tax laws by using company aircraft for private

and recreational purposes.

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ing protests to editors and pro-

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Observers noted that the con-ference at which the bishops

drew up the letter came only a week after Cardinal Karol Wojtyla of Crucow bitterly ac-

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return for promises that these hanks would ger profitable On Thursday and Friday Mr business from the financial in-stitutions that he directly con-rioners with boldness and con-. trolled. In addition, Mr Lance failed

ment inspectors he would, to stop abuses by bank directors of overdraft privileges at the Calhoun National Bank which he managed. He also failed to to convince many of the sena-sound convincing to all that he tors that his ethical standards acted properly in letting the were of the kind the senators

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> fidence and his comments caused squabbles between the committee members and placed the committee on the defensive. But yesterday the tables were turned.

After more than seven hours of cross-examination it was clear that Mr Lance had failed cound convincing to all that ne were of the kind the senators of the committee will senator Percy indi-

exasperated senator Javits cared that these staff members reminded Mr Lance: "Harry will refute Mr Lance's state-Truman once said that if you ment that he revealed all the can't stand the heat get out of details of his past activities to the kitchen. To this Senator the committee last January.

**Prisoners of** conscience



#### Taiwan:

Hung Shui-liu

By David Watts

Mr Hung Shui-liu, a Taiwanese agricultural worker, has
been in jail since 1950. Now
more than 60 years old, he is
still held for suspected communist activities. For the whole of his 27-year detention he has been in the Green Island New Life Camp off the south-east coast of Taiwan. Mainly used for longterm detainees, Green Island houses only a military garrison

and the prison, which is the most isolated and dreaded jail most isolated and dreaded jan in the country.

Mr Hung is one of about 30 people who were arrested for their alleged contact with the Toiwan Communist Party (TCP) during the period of Japanese rule. The TCP, which no longer exists, was formed in 1923. Though it seems never to have been a large organization, efforts were made to gain support among the labourers and farm workers of rural Taiwan.

The prisoner is thought to have been arrested under the Statute for the Punishment of Rebellion under which most political prisoners are held in Taiwan. Though he is believed to have been sentenced in 1950. it is unclear what sentence he was given but there has been no evidence of his involvement in

violent activities.
In July, 1975, a number of political prisoners were released as an act of clemency ordered Mr Chiang Ching-kuo, the Prime Minister, in memory of his late father, President Chiang Kai-shek, and some observers saw this as the beginning of the possible liberalization of regime's political attitudes.

#### The letter said the media were engaged "in a struggle against God, religion, the church cused the media in a sermon try. It said that the media were used in Poland "to carry on persistent propaganda of a goddistorting the truth about newspaper said. In a leading article it urged student demonstrations in the and everything which is dear and valuable to believers." Church access to the media is one of the main issues in talks which have been going on for two years between the Vati-Ethiopians to respond promptly Asking whether the church to the Government's mobilizacould keep silent in such a situation, the letter urged Christians who listened to the tion call to defend the country's unity and territorial integrity.

on possible improvement of relations. The Government so far have shown no sign of giving way on this paint.

The pastoral letter concluded urging congregations to listen to Vatican Radio. Priests gave out its wavelengths and times of its Polish-language, broadcasts.—Reuter.

## Ethiopia's military struggle a 'race against time'

Addis Ababa, Sept 18.— in the northern Conder Ethiopia, fused with a bitter province had been released. war against Somali-backed insurgents in its Ogaden region, 894 other prisoners held on is engaged in a "race regainst time", the Amharic-language daily newspaper Addis Zemen

said today.
"Ours is a battle not only against enemy forces but also a race against time... Every minute, every second can make a difference to both sides," the

Since Friday, the Government

has set in motion a machinery for total mobilization after fierce assaults by pro-Somali insurgents against the Ogaden towns of Jijign, Haker and Diredawa.

The Ethiopian news agency reported today that 271 prisoners held on suspicion of counter-revolutionary acts

similar charges here.
All the country's mechanics

were ordered today to assemble in the capital to service fleets of vehicles taking the citizen armies to the war fronts. Diplomats.said that thousands

of buses, lorries and vans were crowding into the capital. A broadcast by Addis Ababa radio said today that the mechanics were to report with their tool kits to a maintenance centre. The Government also directed the population today to work harder to increase production and to maintain a healthy economy. The directive came from the National Revolution-Operations Council which said that increasing production should be regarded as no less significant than the bitter struggle the country is waging o of against Somalia.—Reuter acts Agence France-Presse.



# These highly respectable people are secret bleepers.

What have these people got in common?

A pocket-sized device from Post Office Telecommunications called a Radiopager, which helps keep them in touch with base. within 900 square miles

around London. When they're wanted a special telephone number is dialled free of charge \(\cap\$ from anywhere in the

bleeps and alerts them to make contact. All you pay is £22.68 rental per quarter and a £5.40 initial charge (these charges are inclusive of VAT).

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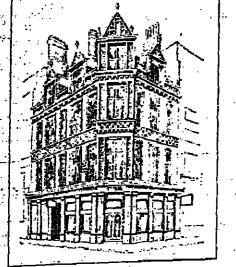
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#### stabbing of Indian attaché Canberra, Sept 18 .-- A man

Man held over

aged 26 was arrested near Canberra tonight in connexion with the stabbing and abduction of the India military attaché in Australia - last - week.

of Red Hill early on Thursday. Colonel Singh rold the police

## Nepal Premier promises to

to free political prisoners pro-vided they do not face specific criminal charges.

The national news agency quoted him as saying yesterday that political prisoners released under the new policy should lead disciplined lives, "dis-charging their duty to king and country". Only people charged with specific criminal offences

Political dissidents can

## UN offers £880,000 aid to Filipino refugees

request so far.

Mr Sampotkumer said the mese refugees for permanent High Commission would pro-resettlement. Australia, New vide housing, medical and Zealand, Denmark, West Ger-other facilities for the refugers many. France and Canada in his programmes. It would also accept Victuamere consider helping the refugees for reset to return to the Philippines France-Presse.

## Landmark on Scotland's road to Argentina

Pootball Correspondent

In the middle of a week in which a small group of dissident England Midland dubs decide whether to accept the view of the majority and let footballers have their degree of freedom of contract, the game itself centres on Scotland, who play Czechoslowakia in a World Cop march at Hampden Perk. Northern Ireland also play that hight, against Iceland in Belfast, but it is to the Scots or the Welsh that Britain must book for representation in next summer's World Cup final competition

in Argentina.

Czechosłowakia are not what they were in the summer of 1976 when they became European champions by beating.

West Germany on penalties in the final.

They defeated Scotland in Prague last.

October but lost 3—0 to Wales explier. October but lost 3—0 to Wales earlier this year. If they lose at Hampden, the crucial match will be between Wales and Scotland at Anticello on October 12, the day England play in Luxenbourg. The situation is exciting enough to

One problem arose for Scotland's confident new manager, Ally McLeod, this weekend when Buchan, the

Manchester United captain who prefers not to be Scotland's captain who present on to be Scotland's captain as well, had to pull out of the party because of a leg injury recieved in the march against Chelsea. United will also be worsted, remembering how imperfectly their defence played when Buchan was Another Scot never far from the

news returns to management this week Tommy Docherty's appointment at Derby County may improve the fortunes of a club who only three years ago won the championship but this season have not won a game. The need for improve-ment is obvious and the treatment of Colin Murphy, the young manager who took over from David Mckay, has been

nosatisfactory.
Romours of his dismissal have been heard since the day he took over and the attempt to persuade Brian Clough to return handly improved hir Murphy's confidence or his antimisty. Mr

immediately returned to form when he strongly denied that a Nonwegian club, Littleström, for whom he had signed a two-year contract, felt burt by his change of mind. The chairman, Mr Docherty claimed, was understanding and readily released him from the

However, the general manager was reported to be "deeply disappointed, not to say bloody mad". Presumably, one should never be surprised by anything to do with the comings and goings of managers. From on Saturday after. of managers. Even on Saturday aftern, a Derby spokesman denied that Mr Docherty was joining them. There are more ways of bringing the game into disrepute than kicking the ball

into disrepute than kicking the ball out of the ground.

Meanwhile, Derby County drew 2—2 with Leeds United and so kept off the bottom of the first division shead of Newcastle United, who have at least won one game this season but have conceded 15 goals, including three at Birmingham on Saturday. Sir Alf Ramsey says he will not stay as Birmingham City's manager for much longer

old oaks at Forest

All the complimentary mings is wrote about Nottingham Forest at Wolverhampton a week ago could be applied to their performance on Saturday, when they beat Aston Villa 2—0 and put themselves in joint first place with Liverpool and Manchester City.

City.
Tony Woodcock, the young player who embartassed Wolves so much, had another good day, his turn of speed being a continuous problem for the Villa defence. From an ordinary second

division forward Woodcock has been transformed in an astonish-ingly short time into a player in the £200,000 class. Not only does

the E200,000 class. Not only does he possess fleetness of movement, he is a quick thinker, too. Within six minutes of the start of Saturday's match he had fastened on to a centre from Withe and cleverly outwitted the Villa goal-keeper, Rimmer, squeezing the bal into the net from a seemingly impossible position.

mpossible position.
Woodcock is certainly an inter-

wooncock is certainly an inter-esting pruspect, who is going to frighten a good many defences in the weeks to come. But the most surprising thing to me about Forest's success is the way players who have been around the League for some time are now-

heague for some time are now having a new lease of life, playing with more entitudiasm and determination than ever before. Bowyer, Lloyd, McGovern, and Withe are all in this category. For their rejuvenation we must thank Messrs Clough and Taylor, the Newton statement who have the content of the content of

the Forest management, who are past masters at bringing the best out of players who have seem-ingly lost their relish Mr Clough, having bought

Chelsea's 90 sec claim to

a place with the best

The team have now won two matches under his guidance and Bertschin's goal, Birmingham's second, was des-cribed by Sir Alf as the best he had

Draws for both Liverpool and Man chester City left the favourites level on points with Nottingham Forest, who beat Aston Villa 2—0. Liverpool looked magnificent for the first half at Ipswich but Manchester City and Queen's Park Rangers submerged all the promise of a fine match in suffocating defensive-ness. Everton, widely considered as a potential threat to Manchester City and Liverpool, made up some early lost ground by beating Norwich City

Arsenal are making life brighter at Highbury where they beat Frank McLintock's Leicester City 2—1. With Tottenham Hotspur and Crystal Palace chasing Bolton Wanderers at the head of the second division, Chelsea winning at Manchester United and Fulham scoring five against Notts County, London football recovered, although West Ham United still give cause for concern.

much greater freedom. It made for an interesting finish, with Forest having to hang on to the two points until, with almost the two points until, with almost the hast kick, Robertson, making amends for a had miss earlier, sorred the second goal, set up largely through the persistence of Withe.

Anderson, Burne, A. Wounger, P. Withe, A. Wounger, P. Withe, A. Wounger, J. Astron. Villa: J. Rights, K. Astron. J. Robson, L. Phillips, K. Marshagar, J. Dechan, J. Robson, L. Croploy, F. A. Croploy, F.

## A 30-match format to make the Ryder Cup more of a contest

Golf Correspondent Golf Correspondent

The fun, though not the excitement, was sustained to the end of the Ryder Cup match at Royal Litham. Long after Dave Hill had won his match and given victory to the United States by raising their total to 10½ pts at a time when our tally was 4½, the crowd were entertained by consoling victories from Gallacher, Faddo and Oosterhuis over Nickaus, Watson and McGee. Thus the spectacle was maintained to the Watson and McGee. Taus the spectacle was maintained to the end. Not only was this to the satisfaction of the sponsors, Findlife Insurance, but of television and also, I think, of the match itself, Nothing could be worse for the reputation of the Ryder Cup at present than to project it as a fight to the death when it has become an exercise in international

I have become sufficiently cynical to believe that the Americans are seen at their best in this match only when they are in danger of losing, and the British only when they are certain to lose. Certainly the performance of several Americans on saturday, when they looked easy winners, was below their best. It was as though Nickiaus, Floyd and Irwin were stale, as well they Burns, has presumably completed his jigsaw puzzle, with the signing a few derys ago of Peter Shilton, the former England goal-keeper, for £770,000, a record for the cluth. Burns, once an extherant entrowert, is now, like Mr Clough himself, adopting a milder profile. He is doing a quienty efficient job of hidying up and plugging the gaps at the back of the Forest defence.

As for Shilton, he had very little to do on Saturday. In fact I cannot remember a single accorning effort worthy of the description from valls. Shilton had to extend himself only twice—when he dealt spectacularly with a high corner, and was fouled in the process, and again when he cut out a dangerous cross from Little—Villa's best more of the match.

Without Gray (injured) Villa, pretty efficient in defence, were apparently not in the business of scoring goals—phenty of busying and foraging from the likes of Little, Carrodus, and Deehan, but no penetration. Yet Villa had one good period, halfway through the second half, when, as Forest relaxed, they moved forward with much greater freedom. It made for an interesting finish, with Forest having to hang on to the two polinis until, with almost the Irwin were stale, as well they might be after three outsandingly important tournaments in America before they came here. In the bleak coldness of the final day they were slow to get going and in some cases hardly got going at all. At 12.58 pm with all 10 matches launched, they reached their lowest ebb, up in three and all square in a fourth. It was the minimum they needed to win and they never dropped below it. Wadkins, Graham and Hill were always winning, but Green and Floyd girded their loins and maned small moles on Darty and tames respectively. Nicklaus set

slowly from a dreadful start against Gallacher in which he lost the first four holes to par. He was back to all square with a birdle of the 16th, but true to the old golfing law; the pressure came off Galkacher when he had no more holes to lose, and he dealth a knockout blow by holing across the green to regain the yead. Barnes, having found his putting touch by opening his stance, held off a good deal of pressure from Irwin. Faido and Oosterhois meintained their record pressure from Irwin. Falso and Oosterhuis meintained their record of being unbeaten, although Watson's putt from the fringe at the 18th to save his match against Falso looked as though it must have dropped if the stick had been remissed. been removed.
It is ironic that when a new format had been devised to meet a criticism of too many matches, criticism of too many matches, the players were complaining that there was not enough golf. The best combination is that used in the Walker Cup, foursame and stugies in one day repeated on the second day. But it would be unrealistic to think of this match without four-balls, and I throw the following into the suggestion book already full of different solutions: A team of 12 playing four 18-hole foursomes on the first morning and eight singles in the alternoon; six four-ball matches of the second day and the first da repeated on the third.

magnes of the second any and the first da repeated on the third. That gives a total of 30 matches; the goodies would have the chance to play five times, the baddies would at least get one match. The crowds would have more to watch, and the progration of four-ball and the proportion of four-ball matches, which always make it less of a contest, would be re-duced.

Huggert strongly denier that his decision to play Faldo and Occar-luis last had anything to do with relevision considerations, and I relevision considerations, and I accept that. If the reverse had

ing out Jacklin on the last day considering the falling-off in form of Coles and Horton was simply a desire to get away from the crowds. January made it easy for him, though not all that much so, for an innate ability still clings to the 47-year-old. But Dawclings to the 47-year-old. But Dawson's play from the sixth, where
he was taking charge of the match,
was as fine as anything I saw all
week. That victory will have done
much to heal the scar of finisning
second the week before. On his
Ryder Cup form he is arguably
the best left-hander, not in
Europe, but in the world, and at
the time of writing he is leading
Britain in the order of merit. He
is also one of the best players is also one of the best players of fairway woods in the country, and that must be worth something at Wentworth. Those who have the menviable tusk of completing the 16-man line-up for the world matchplay tournament in fires.

Results

Doors are beginning to open for 20 year old

## Faldo's sense of steady purpose

By Peter Ryde

Britain. has a new hero and would do well to treat him with care. In his second year as a professional Nicholas Faldo, with a good deal of help in the early stages from Peter Oosterhuis, faced and overcame such opposition as Nicklaus and Watson who have mopped up more dollars than anyone eise in their own country this sesson. Between them he and his partner won more than half the points scored by a team of 12 against the United States.

Success has come rapidly to Faldo. In April last year he took a trip to Edinburgh, having wou the English and youths championships in 1975, to play in the Craigmillar Park Trophy for amateurs. He won it and three days later turned professional. There was not much time after his apprenticeship to make money, but this year he lies second in the apprenticeship to make money, but this year he lies second in the order of ment and doors are be-ginning to open for him. He has accepted an invitation

mainiplay, sponsored by Colgate, and will, with Peter Dawson, represent England in the World Cup in Manila next December. Even as he told of plans to play in the Bradlian and perhaps the Argentine Open, Richie Benaud came up, representing no doubt Kerry Packer, to ask whether Faldo had thought of playing in the Anstralian Open.

Now is the moment when a wise manager—he is in Mark McCor-

Now is the moment when a wise manager—he is in Mark McCormack's stable—would take stock and make sure that future plans do not overheat the new engine, to stir the metaphois a little. The press also have a responsibility in the matter. In the general dearth of heroic material in Britain at the moment it would be

fatally easy for them to latch on to him and over-expose his achievements. achievements.

For the truth is that, setting aside less week which was special, his achievements are stender. He has won a 36-hole curain-reiser to an important courtament and come as close to winning another leading even as is possible without doing so. He also fluished that third in the Madrid Open and has been often enough in the top 10 to make him second in the Bridsh order of merit.

I must set about winning tournaments and above all, earning more. It would be no good going to the United States and running out of money after 12 weeks." His present aim is to try to earn his card there at the end of next season, if his performance here warrants is. That is balanced thinking for a 20-year-old.

His brief experience of American life may have belied him to this view. He seems to have enjoyed part of the campus scene in Houston University at the beginning of last year. He played in their first team and took part in dominiony parties, but he was in dominiory parties, but he was not learning the way he wanted to. He was faced not with coaches but with managers. It

was an endless succession of medal rounds and, for him, not personal practice, something he has always enjoyed. To hear him talk, it was not a homesickness that it was concluded months. "I love the life of the professional golder", he tells Liz kan a emitted that professional golder", he tells Liz kan a emitted that the professional golder ", he tells Liz kan a emitted that the professional golder", he tells Liz kan a emitted that the professional golder ", he tells Liz kan a emitted that the profe British order of merit.

He is slowly getting used to crowds and calmy faced the biggest of his life last week, but he can still be unsested by an individual shout of "good old Nick", coming probably from a supporter in the two coachloads from his own club, Welwyn Garden City. That is hardly enough on which to launch himself into American golf.

It is good news that he is well aware of then. "My ambition all this year was to mak ethe team." Now he said at Royal Lytham. "Now I must set about winning toorna.

Last week Faido; an only cing, wandividuals, crewas liven a valuable chance of the opening. That was sixed a valuable chance of the opening. That was sixed if you are with his are with Harley and partner of the first two days, the man who knew better than to take man who knew better than to take into the arms of the American, and who established himself the last the two here better than to take the constant of the first step. There is more than physical similarity between them, I would hesiste the call either a "loner"; but there is more than physical similarity between them, I would hesiste to take the reserve, even as in titories on Satt is about both a reserve, even as in titories on Satt work, and a sense of steady part is to cream are to yose which might lead, in good case Road side ask trail. List week Faldo, an only was given a valuable chan

Spaniards looked a better

than the one that lost 3—1 England in a practice match week ago.

About 10 minutes before h time the Spaniards began to le

About 10 minutes before had the Battle homo dangerous by creating more specific homo for themselves. Batista wall mon less through all on his own and infinitely the safer Camburn's for match the way of a significant of the safer corner by Cophenic Scotland

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Speedway

#### Collins leads Britain to world team title

Wrocław, Sept 18.—Britain won the world team speedway cham-pionship today, deferting Czecho-slovakia, Poland and Sweden, on the Polish Wrocław team's track. The four teams had qualified for the final after a world-wide climi-nation.

the final after a world-wide climination.

Britain collected 37 points, Poland 25, Czechoslovakia 23 and Sweden only 11. Individually, Peter Collins, of Britain, and Edward Jancarz, of Poland, were the best, cach collecting 10 points.

RESULTS: 1. GB. 379ts (P. Collins 10, M. Leo, D. O. Jesub 9, 1. Davis 10, M. Leo, S. 21, 22, Poland 25; 6. Cachimonous 5: 2. Results 11.

Boxing

#### Galindez keeps his title and his record

Rome, Sept 18.—Victor Galindez, of Argentina, unbeaten for almost six years, last night retained his World Boxing Association light heavyweight title, when he beat the Mexican American, Alvaro Lopez on points. Their extremely close contest was decided in the last three rounds when Galindez, 28, fought back to take the initiative from Lopez with a series of blows to the head and body.

From the start, it was Lopez with made all the running, He showed better style, scoring with finst jabs wideh shor past Galindez's defences and landed regularly on his face. Lopez managed to keep away from in-fighting and Galindez's powerful punches.

in-fighting and Galinder's powerful punches.

The champion, who won his title in November, 1974, could not manage to get the right distance to lumb punches on the clusive Mexican-American.

Galinder rabled by the tenth round, kept the 11th and 12th shout even and in the 12th unleashed a series of wild punches including hooks and lefts and rights to the body, many of which landed.

Galinder kept up his tactic until the final bell, showing little or no Galindez kept up his tactic until the tinal bell, showing little or no style but holding the initiative and destroying lopez's earlier hopes of winning the title.

In other bouts on the programme, Italy's Aldo Traversaro, who meets Bunny Johnson of Britain soon for the vacant European light heavyweight title, beat the American, Albert Jumors, on points,—Reuter.

Hockey

## Germans recover to win fast and exciting final England 6 Spain England's chance of finishing third in the tournament evaporated earlier in the da when they lost to Spain. The result was unexpected but the Spaining looked a better sid.

By Sidney Friskin
West Germany: 4 Netherlands 3
West Germany's super's striking
power won them the European
junior hockey championship at
Folkestone yesterday. They made
a brilliant recovery to beat the
Netherlands in a fast and exciting
final after being two goals down
at half time. The event was
sponsored by Sun Life Assurance.
The Netherlands, last year's
champions, had more flair, which
gave them the monopoly of the
early play, but once the Germans
stabilized their defence heir
machine began to move more
smoothly. With the exception of
Spain no other team were in the
same class as the finalists.
Two short corner conversions
by Bouwman in the twentyeighth
and twentyninth minutes gave the
Netherlands every hope of victory
but with Stieblit converting a
short corner with the same
mechanical precision early in the
second half the Germans were
encouraged. Manthel cqualized
from open play and Stieblitz put
the Germans into the lead in the
fourtenth minute, again from a
short corner.

Wistuba's goal for West Germany in the thirty-tourit minute
was a masterpiece of congrol at
high speed. The move began from
mear the 25-yard line and ended
like a rifle shot against the sideboard with three bearen defenders
grudgingly feeling a sense of
admiradon. With barely 10
seconds to go Jennigheus scored
for the Netherlands from open
play to end a great match. West Germany. 4 Netherlands 3

Olympic team discussed

The Women's Bockey Board, with representatives from England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, discussed in Dublin last work the formation of a Creat Britain team and the method of qualification for the Olympic Games at Moscow in 1980. This will be the first time that women's hockey has been included in the Olympics. Six teams will compete, the Russians and five ordiers to be selected by the Supreme Council (Innernational Federation of Women's Hockey Association and Federation Internationale de Hockey) from nadoual playing records between 1976 and the end of 1979.

It is the policy of the Olympic committee to accept only one

## Ipswich take usual supporting role | A new lease of life for the

Football Correspondent

ions and also rans. Liverpool dominated the first half and Ipswich, less authoritatively, the second. Therein was revealed the crucial difference. Liverpool's manipulation of the opening half an hour was conflident and almost boringly efficient as they nurtured their movements within their safety of their own defence. But they attacked over a wide range and with speed and bravery.

Dalglish had no equal in the Ipswich forward line. He made and took his own opportunities, none better than his goal after 20 minutes. It was his sixth in seven matches and his transfer fee of £450,000 looks less absurd in the light of his immediate achievements. Clearly, there was no better replacement for Keegan, who had many calents but was rarely as positive and dangerous as Dalglish is proving in the penalty area.

The goal was the first conceded by Ipswich at home this season.



Smith began the move by pouncing on Mariner's loose control.

Later, his frightful tackle on the same Ipswich player was to turn the crowd against him and, as is so often the case, all of his constructive and invariably accurate passes went unactained. Smith, more than any other Liverpool defender, destroyed Ipswich's speculative long game.

By intercepting Mariner, Smith made space to go forward at surprising speed. Predictably, no-body volunteered to form a posse so he escaped. Kennedy ferried the ball onto Dalglish who was facing his own goal. The Scot turned and, at once, saw that Cooper in the Ipswich goal

was facing his own goal. The Scot turned and, at once, saw that Cooper in the Ipswich goal was not in the goal but a couple of yards off his line. With a superbly weighted kick, Dalglish lifted the ball over Cooper and under the bar.

Ipswich tried to stagger back. Burley and Talbot forced long, powerful shots and, from Burley's, Clemence deflected the ball away in a high diving save that few

bettered. Dalgilais quickly returned the game to the Ipswich
penalty area but missed two good
chances and, in the second half,
was left with less to do. Ipswich
persisted with attacks down the
middle for Mariner and Whymark.
Liverpool coped adequately but
within increasing discomfort.
Beattie battled through from
the Ipswich defence, sometimes
looking unstoppable. Talbot did
the same and persistence was rewarded by an equalizer. Beattle
met a corner and headed forward.
Whymark contributed a more delimet a corner and headed forward.
Whymark contributed a more delicate header and beat Clemence.
Ipswich should have had a penalty when Gates was tripped by Jones but Liverpool, finishing without Hughes who damaged an ankle, had displayed the stuff of champions for long enough.

IPSWICH TOWN: P. Cooper: G. Burley, L. Thboot, B. Talbot, A. Runter, K. Beallis, R. Cochans (ash, D. Geddis), E. Gates, P. Mariner, T. Whymark, C. Woods.

Liverprool: R. Clemence: P. Neel.
J. Jones, T. Smith, R. Kennerdy, E. Hughes, R. Dallish, J. Care, S. Heighway, Cab, D. Fairtsoush), T. Reiswee: A. Grey (Great Yarmouth),

## Negative turn of the Loftus Road plot

Having threatened to entertain Loftus Road on Saturday in an opening balf of lively attack, Queen's Park Rangers and Manchester City proceeded to draw in their antanance after the interval. There seemed something aimost deliberate about it as if the customers had already been granted their ration and need expect to more.

As a result it became a return to roudine high lobs pumped into the goal areas; a general stagmation of ideas; and attack snuffed out like a candle by overloaded defence. In the event a 1—1 draw was no more than either side deserved though it helped just to keep Manchester City at the head of the parade on goal difference. head of the parade on 5000 and ence.

Mr Ron Greenwood was there to observe. When asked later what he thought the England supremo might have learnt Tony Book, the City manager, replied acidly, "Not much". Yet Greenwood must have pondered on the negative turn of the plot—a lively first act of a play that dissolved into nothing as if the author had lost all inspiration and interest.

his return to full fitness. All this showed Rangers in a bright, creative light. creative light.

City, in a more open style of counter attack, fed the lively acceleration of Channon and the timestening footwork of Barnes on the flank; Hartford in midfield was as busy as a wasp at a picuic, always cleverly supported by the frail-looking Owen, whose knitting needle legs kept taking him into threatening positions.

There was much to say in the There was much to say in the opening act that was both with and at times sardonic. City quickly and at times sardonic. City quickly made the first point of the argument to take the lead through Royle. After only eight minutes Warson and Ridd set up Channon for a swift break but when the burly Royle received the cross unmarked it took him three stabs at the half from as many yards to squeeze it past Parkes.

But Rangers, playing a series of tight wall passes in which Masson, Bowles and Francis were prominent, kept pressing their point until Francis duly shot home the equalizer from Williams 10 minutes before the curtain came down on the interval.

By then, too, Williams, put

down on the interval.

By then, too, Williams, put clean through by Masson, should have scored for Rangers, while Barnes, in one scintillating dribble on the stroke of half-time, sent both Webb and Gillard spinning away like autumn leaves only to shoot straight at Parkes close in as the goalkeeper came out to spread himself bravely.



CILY 5.
SECOND DIVISION: J. Duneza (Tottechnam Hatspur) 7: R. Herkouk
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(Crysta Palzer) 6: M. Fizzouk
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5: M. Kirchen (Orlent) 5:
Tijird Division: R. Gough (Colchester: 8; D. Westwood (Gillingham) 8; R. Shirton (Wygrham), 6;



Today's football



By Tom German

Chelsea will be more ready to persuade themselves that they are not mere interiopers in the first division now that they have successfully tilled an opponent's ground, and Manchester United's at that. Indeed, if one had to nominate a possible fairerer on the switence of Saturday's match at Old Trafford it would certainly not be Chelsea, winners by the only goal and suggesting in their cool, well-balanced style, that they might be about to blossom.

For Manchester United it was a case of "after the Lord Mayor's Sitow"—literally, in the sense that the kick-off was put back half an hour to accommodate Manchester's first Lord Mayor's procession, metaphorically in that United were often surprisingly merhilanating after that highly creditable achievement of highly streets the consider half when

St Etienne in midweek.

There was a spell midway through the opening half when United were peppering shots toward Chelsea's goal but it was significant that a hot of them were from a distance which left Phillips in no great trouble. There was no dominant figure to set the stage; McLiroy looked as if he might emerge es ringmaster with some determined midfield work but he, too, eventually lost his way of breaking down well-ordered opponents, splendidly cemented at the back by Droy and Wicks. Hill came nearest to doing so with a fine, swerving shot from 25 yards and Phillips did well to reach up to deflect the ball upwards onto the bar.

Chelsea had immeasurable uplift from a goal within 90 seconds, as Greenhoff seemed to duck beneath a cross from Swain, apparently expecting it to run to Stepney, Garner nipped between them, however, and simply had to incline his head to score. Having so quickly prospered by the central route, Chelsea often tried it again, and Garner had United in a lather every time a high ball reached him. United will need to tailor their tactics in that sector reached him. United will need to railor their tactics in that sector if the grapevine is not again to carry the message that a tender spot is to be located there. Nor will they be too complacent about a groin injury which deprived them of Buchaneariy in the second half, for they will well remember how his absence has impoverished them in the past. Not that Buchan's departure on Saturday greatly influenced events. Chelsea knew better how to use the ball and how to find each other. Britton and Swain were hard and calculating workers but Garner was always the man from whom Manchester had most to fear until he went off just before the end after a clash of heads. Stepney twice needed to be alert and well-positioned to frustrate him, as he did to deal with a rising shot from Langley. On the day, though, the greater frustrate him, as he did to deal with a rising shot from Langley. On the day, though, the greater frustrations by far were United's.

MANCHESTER UNITED A Stepney:
J. Greenheef. M. Buchan (sab C. McGrath). S. Commell. D. McGreery. S. Pearson, L. Maccal, G. Hill.

CHELSEA: J. Phillips: R. Harris, G. Wilkins, I. Briton, M. Droy. S. Wiese. W. Garner (sub: J. Sparrow.). R. Cretter: H. L. Newsome (Shropshire).

tions of Bowles as he spun on a pinhead to send defenders in the-wrong direction; and the tireless feething, currying and prompt-ings of Francis, which suggested Weekend results and tables

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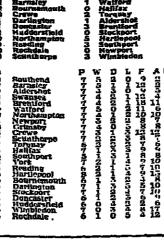
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Fourth division







Scottish premier division

European results

## Northampton's troubles start on

Rugby Correspondent

The best endeavours of Richmond and Northampton at the Athletics Ground on Saturday produced a scrappy, often clumsy produced a strappy, often clamsy contest that must have left the BRC exercised how the highlights might palatably be stretched to fit their celevision schedule, and a clutch of selectors, national and regional, wondering whether their journey had been necessary. All the points were scored in the first half, Northampton acquiring the only try, but the interpretation of their forwards as to how the lineour should be conducted frequently did not tilly with that of Mr Kingham and Richmond beat them by three penalty goals beat them by three penalty goals

Richmond scrummaged with the line wilder of the state out, in organization and executes a state out, in organization and executes a state out, in organization and executes a state of finish. Until the closing stages by think which time Rollitt, their distinguished recruit, was beginning to before in the state of the deny men a positive score.

O'Hanlon ruined their best chance when he, with Rollitt and Greenwood, the No 8, had established successive rucks from a strike against the head. The second of these led to an overlap on the left, but the scrumhalf cut back inside, into trouble. In a climax of intense Richmond

pressure O'Hanlon then all but made amends when apparently putting Hickey tlear from a scrummage. But Hickey, who had just replaced Bucknall on a flank, was felled by a rousing, saving tackle by Crane. himself a Northampton replacement for Causon. The Northampton forwards had the last laugh when Harden won a heel, just short of their line, from a Richmond put in.

rarker and Phillips. On this occasion the club's troubles, beginning on the Mi with the hreak-down of their coach, persisted throughout the first half after the game had kicked off about an hour late. A slewd or retreating scrummage, and sometimes poor channelling when things held solid, left Page under frequent duress.

Problems were compounded by Problems were compounded in midrield, where a big stand-off, Clarke (usually a centre), rended to take his passes standing still and where Morgan's partiality for bead-on confrontation in the middle rurely produced the desired effect. Raybould made some robust and willing comributions to attack from full-back, and Bignell, a dashing little opportunist on the right wing, almost won the day in the second half when a kick shead by Clarke bounced conveniently for him and Junion just beat bim to the touch down of his hack ahead. Bignell might, in retrospect, have performed a similar service in the first period when Raybould put him clear of everyone but the full back. He was

McGuckian's raw strength carried him through some tackles on the other wing, but perhaps the most promising performance, from the selectors' standpoint, came from Russell, a 20-year-old flank forward, hard and throught, who looked a good ball player.

It took Richmond a considerable time to reach their opponents' half, and then only by courtesy of a late tackle by Harden on Green. Their prop. Shortland, made light of the wind that Shackleton had chosen to face and thumped home the first penalty goal from 45 yards. ards.
Before the interval Shackleton's Before the interval Shackleton's trusty boot had extracted six more penalty points, the first three of them after O'Hanlon had robbed Page behind an untidy Northampton beel and Bucknoll, Greenwood and Hess had set up rucks. Northampton had levelled affairs at 5-6 with a try by Morgan, converted by Raybould, that sprang from a strong burst by Clarke behind a lineout.

A long penalty shoe by Raybould room a strong burst by Clarke behind a lineout.

A long penalty shot by Raybould rebounded from a post in the third quarter, so Northampton could say they had come that close to the draw which one suspects most of those involved would have deemed a not unfair result.

RICHMOND: P. M. Davion; A. D. Mort. J. P. A. G. Janion; I. Ray, A. Green; I. R. Shackleton (explain), T. C. R. O'Hamion; A. J. Shortland, T. C. R. Diskensen, C. W. Hallen, L. Morgan, L. Morgan, P. McCinchien; D. J. N. Morgan, P. McCinchien; D. J. N. Morgan, C. D. Morgan, T. Page (raptain); N. M. J. Mandan, V. R. Harden, R. Smith, D. Crano, P. R. Sweet, R. D. Taylor, S. J. Hussell, R. Suner, R. D. Taylor, S. J. Klussell, R. Suner, R. D. Taylor, R. Roore, P. J. Klussell, R. Rodore, P. J. Klussell, R. Rodore, P. J. Klussell, Rodore, R. D. Taylor, Rodore, P. J. Klussell, Rodore, P. J. Klussell, Rodore, R. D. Taylor, Redore, P. J. Klussell, Rodore, R. D. Taylor, Redore, P. J. Klussell, Rodore, P. J. Klussell, R. Rodore, R. D. Taylor, R. Rodore, R. Rodore, R. D. Taylor, R. Rodore, R. Rodore, R.

French Racing Correspondent, Paris, Sept 18 Kamicia, starting at odds of 28-1, dashed English hopes in this afternoon's Prix Vermeille at afterhoon's Prix Vermeille at Lougchamp and took the event from Royal Hive, Fabuleux Jane. Busaca and Paria. The 2-1 favourite Tellilon, who had the lead at the furlong marker. faded to finish sixth.

The trainer of Kamicia, Jean Laumain, immediately amounced the filly a definite runner in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, which will also be the target of Fabuleux Jane and Busaca. Lambourn's trainer Peter Walwyn thought Busaca ran an excellent race considering her bad draw. Trillion is an almost certain non-runner

Busta ran an excellent race considering her bad draw. Trillion is an almost certain pon-runner in the Longchamp classic on Occober 2 and the same comment applies to Henry Cecil's Royal Hive and the French filly Patia.

The immediate problem for Mr Laumain is to filed a partner for Kagnicia in the Arc. Today's victorious jockey. Alsin Bashi, is engaged to ride Dom Alaric and Jean-Clande Desaint, the jother regular plot of the filly, will be claimed if for Fabuleux Jame. "Sleop is good for thinking," Mr Laumain said after the Vermeille, and added, "if Kamicia can win on this fast ground what kind of chance must she have in the soft? That's the ground what hid of chance must she have in the soft? That's the ground what will be normally have on Arc day and my filly loves it." normally have on Arc day and my filly loves it."

Much of the early running in the Vermeille was made by Patis's pacemaker, Valhalia, and Lester Piggort on Olwyn. With these two still at the head of things on the descent into the stratist five furlongs from home, one could see Kamicia, third from last, just in from of Fabuleux Jane.

Jane.
Trillion, who was always turked in behind the leaders, hit the front in the straight but, by the time the furious post arrived, she was being attacked by Nasticions, Busaca and Kamicia, with Royal Hive just behind the leaders. Once in front, Kamicia raa on well to beat Royal Hive by one length and a half.
Carwhite, wearing blinkers for the first time, won the Prix du Prince d'Orange from the English-

tor. Alec Head said after the event that he had not made up his mind about Carwhite's participa-tion in the Arc de Triomphe, but the colt's appearance would seem flicity as Read has no other horse good enough. good enough.

With a furlong to run in the Frince d'Orange, it looked oulds on Galrioch being withtrious in France for the second time this season; he won the Frix de la Cote Normande at Deauville last month. However, Carwhite ran on the better and led by a head at the line. Ways was late on the scene in third position, Solicitor was a close fourth and Full of Hope, the early pacemaker, fifth. Ingunette was well there until the two-furlong marker, but she seemed not to act on today's ground.

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The Prix des Chenes went to Janzeiro and he is next likely to be seen in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket. Pylana Hunt finished in second position in front of Tarek, who unseated Yves Saint-Martin before the start, and the favourite, Imperial Seal, was a disappointing fourth. The English visitor, Hever, finished last of seven prix Des Chemes (Group III; 2-y-o: PRIX DES CHEMES (Group III: 2-y-£11.757; Lin) £11.737: Im;
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# Northampton's troubles start on the M1 and continue without repair foiled by Kamicia C'Brien achieves expected victory but with an unexpected runner

As was widely anticipated, Vincent O'Brien succeeded in adding a new record to his already formidable list by becoming the first trainer to win the Irish St Leger in three successive years. What was less expected at the Curragh on Sannday was the identity of the winner, Transworld.

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O'Brien saddled two runners here and Lester Piegots picked Valinsky, who was backed down to an odds-on favourite. There was, however, a significant measure of backing for Transworld, the mount of Tonany Murphy. On the morning of the race, he had been advertised at 25-1, but on the course he was backed from 12-1 down to 13-2 as word circulated that his latest gallop had shown him to be little, if at all,

inferior to Valinsky. From the Transworld dictated the gallop all the way and, for most of the journey, Valitaty showed in second place. Soon after rounding second place. Soon after rounding the find turn for home, Murphy licked on with Transworld and a two length lead was doubled in a matter of strides. Thereafter Valinsky never looked like catching him and, indeed, was dring in the final furiong where he was joined by the only filly in the field, Sassabunda. Sassabunda seemed assured of second place until Orchestra, sprinting in the centre of the track, finished fast to be within four lengths of Transworld, still travelling smoothly, with Sassabunda two and a half lengths away third, and Valinsky fourth. Transworld carries the colours of Shmon Fraser,

Transworld is a brother to Protransworld is a officiner to Pro-tagonist, an outstanding two-year-old colt in the United States in 1973 and was bought as a year-ling for 275,000 dollars. He has now won three of his five starts this season, including the Churchill Stakes at Ascot in June. O'Brien said he intended to keep Transcome.
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## Formidable glows with vitality

Saturday at Newbury featured His exuberant health and vitality some exciting and i nformative paid an eloquent tribute to the racing which kept a large crowd skill of his trainer, Peter Walwyn. racing which kept a large crowd enthralled throughout the afterclaim to be considered as a agood candiadte for next spring's 2,000 Guineas when earning his owner, Peter Goulandris, £14,710 by capuring the Mill Reef Stakes. Those who like a flutier on the elusive Autumn Double could do worse than comple Nearly a Hand and April, winners of the "Joe Coral" Newbury Autumn Cup and the Peter Hastings Stakes. Despite the penalties incurred for Saturday's successes, both horses must have good chances in the Cesarewitch and Cambridgeshire.
"Formidable was bred to run", Mr Goulandris said, "and that is what I want the public to see him doing". That the American-bred was about to gain his fourth victory in just over three weeks was apparent during the paddock inspection. A majestic looking colt, sired by Forii, the father of Thatch and Home Guard, Formidgood candiadte for next spring's

Tumbledownwind, too, presented a picture of well-being which also reflected great credit on Bruce Hobbs. Aydiospe was another handsome individual. handsome inclividual.

Formidable beat Aythorpe by three-quarters of a length with Tumbledownwind the same distance away third. Both first and second were in receipt of 4lbs from Tumbledownwind, which suggests that there is little between the trio. But the bare result is less than flattering to Formidable. Pushed along to go the early pace ser by Tumbledownwind, Formidable then found a ready turn of foot to cut down downwind, Formidable then found a ready turn of foot to cut down the leader below the distance. Once in front, he thought his task was completed and he was virtually pulling himself up at the finish. The 20-1 on offer against Formidable for the 2,000 Guineas, seems fair value. Either the Middle Park or Dewhurst Stakes will be the final objective for Formidable who seems sure to

The Middle Park is building up into an exciting race. Hobbs may run both Tumbledownwind and Royal Harmony. Michael Stoute now intends to saddle his Flying Childers Stakes winner, Music Maestro. I would alway back Formidable to beat Tumbledownwind, even at level weights. Julian Wilson's colt seemed to be staying on at the finish, both an Saturday and also in the Gincrack Stakes. But it is his precocious early speed that gives Tumbledownwind such an advantage at present and by next season later, maturing horses may expose his lack of stamina in the top flight. After all both Rapid River and Music Boy were Gincrack winners, who were going away from their rivals in the last furlong. And yet at the end of their racing careers, five furlongs was their optimum distance.

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cap: £772: 31m)

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2.30 SEPTEMBER HURDLE

00.1 Double Crown, 10-11-6

00-1 Frankly Speaking, 5-11-6

C-23 Oh Brother, 10-11-6

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3.30 SOUTH DOWNS CHASE

(Handicap: £813: 2½m)
23-3 Tingle Creek, 11-12-7 Walkinson
11.5 Menchall, 10-13-5 . W. Smith
1 Frodo, 11-10-3 ... Ranger 7
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4-5 Tingle Creek, 15-8 Menchall,
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Höfman 7

4-9 Firesilk, 3-1 Rol de Frontiere, 11-3 Nord, 12-1 other». SELECTIONS: 2.0 Paddy's Delight. 2.50 Old Smokey. 5.0 Arvent Portion. 5.50 Tingle Creek, 4.0 Divinity. 4.50 Firesitis.

2.15 RYDAL WATER HURDLE

dicap: £678: 2m 1f)

## Llanelli give Harlequins headache

The simplest thing to say about Lianelli's 37—12 defeat of Harle-dus at Twickenham on Saturday is that it was the result of talented backs making maximum old use of the opportunities presented by a vastly superior pack. That Lianelli's total comprised no fewer than seven tries, three confewer of their dominance, even though their Lions were being rested.

though their Lions were being rested.

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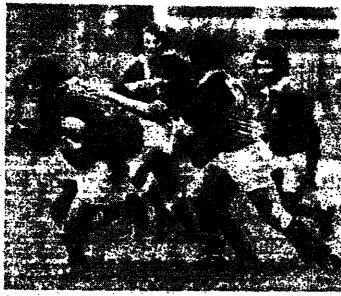
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Charles Thomas, of Llanelli, stretches the defence.

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Man for man, Harlequins were being outpowered. When Hill on the wing was tackled by two dufenders he still found time to past, as he fell, so Bergiers, who stored. I'll converted a my by S. Thomas and scored one himself.

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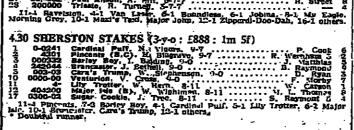
2.0 AUTUMN STAKES (3-y-o: £432: 5f 167yd) 2.30 TORMARTON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,044: 5f)

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#### **Bath selections**

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Stephen Francis. 2.30 Flavetown, 3.0 Aberader, 3.30 Louveciennes.
4.0 Morning Grey. 4.30 Pincents.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Night Line, 3.0 Inpetus, 3.30 Petalina.

#### Edinburgh programme

2.15 ESK STAKES (2-y-o: £494: 5f)









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#### Edinburgh selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.15 Mr Skippy. 2.45 Whistling Jenny. 3.15 Tree Breeve. 3.45 Mayhem. 4.15 NOBLE HEIR is specially recommended. 4.45 Bubbles. 5.15 By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.45 Royal Lad. 4.15 Avise La Fin. 5.15 Stuart Pearson.

Leicester programme

First Division: Dewsbury 0, St.
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230 Rings Talisman, 5-10-7
20 Rings Talisman, 5-10-8 ... Tinkler
100-5 Blondel, 4-10-6 ... Garner 7
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#### SPORT.

Yachting.

## Robins looks on as Courageous sails into America's Cup history

Newport, Sept 18.—Ted Turner, the skipper defending the America's Cup in Courageous, swept aside the Australian chal-4-0 when he again outgried the opposing yacht, Australia, today to clinch the best-of-seven series. Today's race marked the end of the 23rd unavailing challenge to wrest the Cup from the United States.

arating challenge to wrest the Cup from the United States. It has never been relinquished to a foreign contender since it was first won by the yacht, America, off the Isle of Wight in 1851. Today's winning margin over the Australian challenger was 2 min 25 sec and was largely a repetition of the first three races, with Turner sailing into the lead on the first beat and never theresiter being headed.

Australia, skippered by Noel Robins, was 44 sec behind at the weather merk after an even start. From then on, Robins helplessly, workled Courageous sail away into yachting history as yet 2 nother successful American defender. The race, over a 24.3 mile course, was sailed in southwest winds diminishing from 14 knots at the start to nine at the firish.

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Indeed, the prayers of the crewmen of Australia were answered at the start. The winds, at about 14 knots, were exactly the strength expected to give her the best chance of victory. Courageous won the first three races by margins of Imin 48sec, Imin 3sec and 2 win 28sec.

continued to pull away from Australia, although Turner seemed to be sailing a conservative race and covering his opponent closely.



Ted Turner, the Courageous skipper, blows a kiss to the crowd before yesterday's race.

Turner hoisted a light spinnaker and was advancing on the fifth mark but Australia still had two mark but Australia still had two tacks before beginning the run. Turner's lead on the fifth leg virtually precluded the possibility of Australia giving him "dirty" wind and narrowing the gap, In

the previous races, Robins has been able to reduce the margin of Courageous on the run, since the trailing boat gains fresh wind

Crebbin looks a winner after one race Philip Crebbin, rapidly becom-ing one of Britain's best all-round ing one of Britain's best all-round racing belmsmen, was a convincing winner of the first race in the Soling class national championship at Holyhead yesterday. He first showed his potential in a Soling when sailing a rather worn out, borrowed boat at Weymouth Olympic Week early in the season. In spite of the boat's lack of speed, it was obvious shat Crebbin was one of the better helmsmen. s one of the better helmsmen. Now in Bees Knees, another Now in Bees Knees, another borrowed, but competitive boat, he already looks a likely winner of the week. Between Weymouth and Holyhead Crebbin has spent most of his sailing time in large offshore yachts and was a member of the team that retained the Admiral's Cua Originally a Admiral's Cup. Originally a dinghy champion of several classes, he has hardly sailed a centraboard boat since representing Britain in the 470 class in the last Olympics.

obtain either a new Soling of 470 for the next Olympics, for these thoroughbred boats seem to wear out after a season or two. But his out after a season or two. But his options are open to change to one or the other if he wants to, when the time comes. In the meantime he can continue to gain experience and simply enjoy salling.
Yesterday's race was held in brilliant sunshine and a cold northeasterly breeze. The sea was flat and all three marks of the long course were clearly visible. A wind shift which commenced soon after the start prevented the windward leg from being a perfect beat, although several tacks still had to be made in order to reach the mark.

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Boats like Pandemonium (Christopher Osborne) that went early on to port tack were the best placed and Crebbin held on to starboard for too long before tacking. He sped through to scoon place at the windward mark, where he was close astern of Pande-

monium. Third round was camargue (A. Canning) and fourth Romance (Ted Fort).

Crebbin had overtaken Osborue by the gybe mark and thereafter was unchallenged, opening a way to win from Fort by three minutes. A strong tide carried several boats on to the gybe mark, including Pandemonium and a protest resulted from hier rounding and re-rounding of it which may affect her result. The breeze continued to shift and both the windward and shift and both the windward and gybe marks were repositioned for the second round. The race was shortened and ended at the lee-ward mark of the third round.

Athletics

#### **Bedford 3rd** behind an unknown Irishman

David Bedford, a former 10,000

David Bedford, a former 10,000 metres world record holder, made a comback at the British Athlerics League Cup final meeting yesterday but had to be content with third place. Bedford, who last ran the distance during the AAA championships three years ago, was well beaten by unknown 30 year-old Irishman, David Logue, of Edinburgh Southern Harriers. Bedford, who has only run once on the track this season—in a on the track this season—in a 5,000 metres race—finished half a lap behind. Logue wor in 29min 3.8sec, a personal best, and Trevor Wright, the 1970 international cross-country champion was second. Bedford's time was 29min 51.8sec.

monwealth record holder, was missing injured and the 400 metres hurdles went to Diana fleath, who beat Tessa Sanderson in a time in 61.1sec. In the men's 400 metres hurdles, Peter Kelly set a Cup record of 51.4sec. Daley Thompson, a decathlete, was third.

Welsh all-comers best. She



#### Varachia elected president of multi-racial body

Johannesburg, Sept 18.-South Africa's new, multi-racial cricket control body, the South African Cricket Union, elected its first president here today-Rashid Varachia, a 62-year-old Indian. He was elected unanimously at a meeting at the Wanderers Club here attended by white, Indian and black cricket officials.

and black cricket officials.

Mr Varachia, who was chairman of the nine-man motivating committee set up to pave the way for "normal" cricket in South Africa, said in his presidential address that there were four essentials at which to alm. They were membership of clubs to be entirely open and not governed by race, creed or colour; merit selection; to implement mixed cricket from club level upwards; the sharing of common facilities.

Mr Varachia has been an official the sharing of common facilities.

Mr Varachia has been an official of the non-racial South African Cricket Board of Control. In calling for the sharing of facilities, he was no doubt thinking of a young SACBOC player, Basil D'Oliveira, who showed his early class on the dirt strips that pass for wickets at many non-white sports grounds in South Africa.

The election of Mr Varachin as

In South Africa.

The election of Mr Varachia as head of the game in South Africa is seen as strengthening the country's case to be allowed for return to the Test arena. It has been exiled for seven years sluce the Prime Minister, Mr Vorster, barred an MCC team that included D'Oliveira.

Squash

## Three countries

Ottawa, Sept 17.—With two more days left in the world amateur squash championships, the race remains open between Palcistan, New Zealand and Egypt for first place. Gamal Awad of Egypt gave New Zealand's Bruce Brownlee his first loss last night. Brownlee, who last week won the Canadian national championship, lost 9-4, 9-10, 9-2, 9-4.

Canada moved ahead of Sweden by defeating the United States in three straight games, Pakistan, the leaders, beat tweden 3-0 as Maqsood Ahmed defeated Krunt 9-3, 9-5, 9-0 and Saleem beat Hellstrom 10-9, 9-5, 9-0.

A 3-0 win over Australia brought Britain to fourth place. Leslie beat Williams 10-8, 9-3, 9-4 and Robinson defeated Donnelly, 9-4, 5-9, 9-1, 9-6. O'Connor edged home against Cheethom 5-9, 9-5, 9-2.

Sir Maurice Laing

## Forebodings of a master builder



When you mention the name Laing in company conversant with the construction industry—architects, engineers, developers, competitors—an almost reverential hush descends. What ever the big project—motorways, bridges, whole ports, North Sea oil platforms, a cathedral, housing estates, skyscrapers or factories—they build it, and have acquired a formidable reputation for probity and precision in the process. precision in the process.

Sir Maurice Laing, chairman of the group, a Director of the Bank of Eugland, former President of the British Employers' Confederation and the CBL is the current head of the family firm which came south from Cumberland to win came south from cumberland to an ational and international status. A quiet-spoken, gentle laird, with the crinkled, weather beaten face that comes from his love for ocean sailing, he inveighs against the creeping ruin that is overtaking his beloved industry.

"The number of insolvencies is great

-2.500 a year—and the amount of the
workload is going down all the time. I
think I am correct in saying that 25 per cent of all unemployment in Britain is in our construction industry. There are about 300,000 people fewer employed in construction now than there were at the peak. What worries me is not only the recession now, but what is going to happen if and when the country revives, as I think it will, because then we have damaged the industry so much that it will be unable to rise to the demand.

"It is the weaker people who are going out. Not necessarily the very small man, who is capable of looking after himself, but the man in the middle, who's not got enough financial and management resources to withstand the problem that he faces at home at the moment. What we will see at the end is a large number of small people at one end of the scale, who employ fewer than 50 people, mostly who employ rewer than so people, mostree engaged on repairs, maintenance and alterations, but some of them doing jobs in factories and the like and a growth of the bigger people. Looking at that objectively, from a point of view of efficiency, it may be no bad thing, but it's very painful while it occurs.

"The so-called downturn in investment is the main factor. We reckon at Laing's that we get something of the order of 25 per cent of all the inquiries that come to the construction industry. The size of the average inquiry has gone down materially. It is row under £1m, whereas three or four years ago it was nearer 52m. In the meanwhile we've had inflation, so the drop in size is very considerable indeed and that's brought about by a variety of things. First, industry isn't investing as much as it was, with one or two notable exceptions, not in bricks and mortar, they may be in other things, and then, secondly, we've had a great downturn in the property market.

"That is caused by the general malaise of the economy, but also by the restric-tive actions that have been taken by successive governments against the property developer. They were so anxious to see that people didn't make the large sums of money that they had made in the late 60s and early 70s from property that they have in fact weren the nack of the they have in fact wrung the neck of the goose that lays the golden egg. They did it at a time when they didn't need to do it because competition was going to see to it. Now the vast majority of property companies just find the risk is too great to go and make developments.

"When you go to the United States and Canada you see buildings going up when they've already apparently got enough building of that kind already. Their tax system encourages people to invest. Here, with our tax system, and with the restric-tive action of the various land development taxes, we positively discourage private investment. I have been recently to Canada and I couldn't help but notice there is more office space to let in downtown Vancouver than there is in the whole of London and yet they are still building. "The rate of taxation on people and

particularly on so-called unearned income is such that individuals court save, because of high personal taxation and then if they do manage one way or another to save they get taxed at an extra 15 per cent on the income that they get from it. You don't invest unless you see an adequate profit return. British industry as a whole is not returning the amount on the capital employed that is necessary to attract new investment. The rate of return has been going down and down over the part 20 years and that has got to be arrested.
"I am very concerned about the lack

of a succession to stage two. I understand all the problems and we get it in this company, let alone anywhere else. We get ir because of the great inequalities that have occurred between remuneration, specially after tax, between one person and another. I believe that everything we have achieved in the last two or three years is in danger of going out of the window. The only saving to that is, of course, North Sea of, which is putting our balance of payments very markedly

right and that's a very great plus. But in the meanwhile we've got all the problems of inflation " The construction industry was much criticized in a National Economic Develop-ment Council report last year for its inferior productivity record compared with firms abroad. Sir Maurice; suorts: "There's a considerable degree of truth that our productivity in this country is markedly lower than it is in most other developed." countries. There's a great deal of truth also in the fact that firms like ourselves work in these other countries and can compete with British management. That being the case, there is something inherently wrong in this country, not with

"We come back to the whole question of incentives and bureaucracy. If we are going to regenerate British industry, if we are going to regenerate British as a whole, are going to regenerate Britain as a whole, we've simply got to attack. Everywhere I go, I find people beginning to switch off because it's not worth putting in extra effort. You see it with ordinary working chaps, decent people. If they are required to work overtime and put themselves out and work over the weekend, why should they? They cost it out and they decide they'd rather go to the football match, thank you. thank you.

"That goes right through to the top management. I say too management, I should say middle management upwards —the man who is earning £10,000 a year today. Let's go back a bit. The man who was earning £4,000 a year four years ago needs something of the order of £10,000 a year today to be level, because of a year today to be revel, because of taxation and the increase in the cost of fiving. Until we can get this right we will not regenerate Britain. I am absolutely clear on that, as our number one priority. You can never make a country dynamic in which the top level of tax is much over 50 per cent. We've got to shift to a greater burden of indirect taxation. There will be all kinds of reasons why we shouldn't do it, but we would be able to choose what we spend our money on.

"What we worry about is the number of people we send abroad who then go and leave us to join foreign companies at a salary that is materially higher than we can pay them or do pay them. We're losing a considerable number to foreign contractors. They always like the British because they are able, well trained managers. And when I say managers, they may be professional men, architects, engineers or quantity surveyors us well. If a man starts to go alwayd say before If a man starts to go abroad, say before he is 30, that is the man who rarely comes back, because he finds life in Britain too restrictive, mostly on tax. He wants to come back to retire, I might say, but he doesn't come back to work." He could sound like a conventional

Tory businessman until you take his back-ground into account. The Laings have always been worker-directors. Sir Maurice entered the firm as a pupil at the age of 17. In an industry based on casual labour, more than a third of their work force are regular employees. In a given year, more than a hundred of them receives marks for 25 years' service. He reserves his paternalist anathemas for governments and the bin eaucracy.

"If we are going to regenerate Britain we ought to start on our political system.
Politicians are very good at criticizing
industry. It is they who set the scene in which industry works and I don't think they are setting the scene very well. I am not talking about one government, I am talking about successive governments. Our political system is outmoded, much more outmoded than our industrial system. They bring in all kinds of legislation which just adds further to the burgaucracy, adds further to the cost and further to the delay. They do it for a variety of reasons, most of them vote-catching and nothing to deleted wie hereignenstelle zum der

"Our political system has become confrontationist, where you've got one party against the other. They don't meld at all. That extends to our labour relations. Instead of trying to work together I don't believe that it's right that something under 40 per cent of the voters of this country should vote for a party which can then, whichever way it goes, completely upset what has been done in the last three, four, five years of the previous government. We have seen it time and again.

"You can't run industry and commerce successfully if you are going to constantly be changing your ground rules, you must have continuity. I must say I believe in electoral reform. The reason why some of the continental countries have been more successful than us is because their political system gives more stability to their industry.

At the present moment the govern-

scale on which governments work is different from the time scale in industry. You can't make a decision in industry which is going to be really effective in under two years. Most of the major decisions you make are of a long term character, whereas the government is only concerned with getting elected at the next

project off to a group or syndicate of people who are going to benefit from being part-owners of the project that we

"These are subsidized houses and therefore basically for pensioners and people of limited means in the States. It people of named means in the states, if takes us a year to find the lead, find site, get the planning permission, get the finance, get the plans passed, build them, occupy them and sell them. One year. In this country it takes us three years before we can start a scheme. Now that's

structure of his industry in Britain. structure or his intuistry in Strain construction firms like Laing only take over a project after the plans and specifications have been set by others architects, engineers and planners. He would like to see this process integrated, as in their American operations. "It as in their American operations. as in their American operations. It becomes difficult for an architect to get to the top of a construction organization because he is still not allowed to become a director of a company. He can't remain an architect, a member of the RIBA and that is not in keeping with the latter half of the transport century.

"What we are doing in the States we also do in other countries abroad. We certainly do it in Spain very successfully, on engineering projects and particularly on roads. There are enormous adventages in cost savings. We are part of a consortium building roads and one of the sections went to a friendly competitor, who is part of our ropesprish. who is part of our consortium.

it by managing to find a way of only having one pier in the middle of the town instead of two. That had saved something of the order of 40 per cent on

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be put on a care and maintenance basis. That has taken us into the field of general plant erection and mechanical engineering We've got a major contract in Poland as a result of this, which is something of the order of £50m

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Then we have our property side which has been a great strength to us for many many years. We are not doing the same massive schemes as before, but we are doing a number of smaller schemes and think they are going to be successful. We the doing property development of the doing property development of the doing property development, because the are using our development entrepreneuristics skills rather than our construction skills. His estimates a second ballon Belling is a second ballon Belling in a second ballon Bellin

His sailing is a serious hobby. He even introduced Edward Heath to the sport Its unexpected setbacks make the problem. of his business easier to sustain: "It's been going well until recently. Fre had s bit of bad luck in the last fortnight. We're bit of bad luck in the last formight. We've got a yacht which does very well as lowed as there's reasonable airs, but the new yachts, lightweight things, can walk property in a extremely light airs. The two washore races that are going to choose the Admiral's Cup teams have bad load periods of lightweight weather and haven't done all that well. We won a recain the Solem the other day—I say we would be the solem the other day—I say we would be the work of the solem the other day—I say we would be the solem the other day—I say we would be the solem the other day—I say we would be the solem the other day—I say we would be the solem the other day—I say we would be the solem that and ourselves were bother day—I say we would be the solem that and ourselves were bother day—I say we would be the solem that and ourselves were bother day.

Briage Contract

#### Rose's effort for Jaguar falls eight laps short Andrew Rose made a courageous effort to give Jaguar their first tourist trophy win for 26 years at

Motor racing

Silverstone vesterinay our ms attempt ended in failure only eight laps from the finish. Victory in the 313 mile race went to Tom Walkinshaw, of Britain, and Dieter Quester, of Austria, in an Alpina BMW.

It was the team's fourth European championship success of the season but Jaguar remain searchremain searching for their first triumpb. Rouse, who shared the Leyland-entered 5.3 litre coupe with Derek Bell, could not catch Walkinshaw after trailing by 20 seconds.

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#### Cycling

#### Backmarkers in front seat at six-day event

Backmarkers of the Skol six-day cycling event held the floor as the Rackmarkers of the Skol six-day cycling event held the floor as the third day of racing got under way at the Empire Pool, yesterday. The third day of racing got under way at the Empire Pool, yesterday. The third two Madison chases to try to catch up on the three leaders. The backmarkers included the all-British team of Steve Hefferman and Michael Bennett who pulled one lap back to go 12 down but they still lie eighth.

The oversight leaders, Patrick Sercia, Europe's leading six-day cyclist, and his Dutch teammate, Réne Pijnen, kept a close eye on things and held back the challenges from their close rivals, Don Allan and Danny Clark, of Australia, and Germans Willitied Peffige mand Albert Fritz.

Britain's Tony Gowland and the West German, Gunter Haritz, who led at one sizze on Saturday but slid back to four laps down and fifth, pulled two back yesterday to leave them fourth.

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5-7, 7-5, 6-4 in the final of the Toray Sillook women's tournament here today. The left-handed Czechoslovakian-exile overnamea czecnosiovakian-enile over-powered Miss Wade with powerful services to take the first set 7--5 in 29 minutes, breaking her opponent's service in the twelfth game.

Miss Wade comes from

behind to clinch final

game.

The second set was again tied 5—5 but Miss Wade, showing determination and steady play, broke Miss Navratilors's service in the eleventh game and went on to win 7—5. The British player had now regained her confidence and chinched the match by comfortably taking the final set.

"I believe I had a 75 per cent

Tokyo, Sept 18.—Virginia Wade chance of winning after taking of Britain came from behind to the second set." Miss Wade said. The win moved her into second place in the women's international American Christine Evert's 550.

Miss Wade said: "Martina played very well at the start of the game when her serves were also good, but I think: I have more determination." Miss Navratilova said her services in the last two sets did not go as well as expected. "My toss did not go right," she said. "And I have to believe in myself." Wendy Turnbuil of Australia won third place by default over Susan Barker of Britain who was suffering from a stomach upset.

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RESULTS: Semi-final round: Mrs M. Navitaliora (US) beat Miss W. Turnbull (Australia) 6—2, 6—3; Miss S. V. Wade (GB) beat Miss S. Earker (GB), 6—1, 2—6, 6—2,—Rettler

## **Holders to meet Australia** in Davis Cup final

Australia and Italy, the defend- tion for France by defeating no champions, qualified yester. Corrado Barazzutti, 6—2, 0—6, ing champions, qualified yester-day to meet in the final of the Davis Cup in Sydney early in December. Italy, who won the December. Italy, who won the Cup last year by defeating Chile in the final in Santiago, will have to prevail away from home again to take the coveted trophy for a second successive year.

Yesterday in Rome they completed a 4—1 triumph over France in a semi-final round tie they had clinched by winning the doubles on Saturday, in the final two matches, both reduced to best of three sets by mutual consent.

three sets by mutual consent, Adriano Panatta beat Francois Jauffret, 6-2, 6-1 and Patrice Dominguez gained some consola-

8-6.
Australia ensured victory over
Argentina in Buenos Aires when Philip Dent beat Ricardo Cano, 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 for a 3-1 lead. Previously, Dent and John Alexander swept to the crucial doubles victory by beating Cano and Guillermo Vilas, 6—2, 4—6, 9—7, 4—6, 6—2 in a contest haired on Saturday at 2—2 in the fifth set.

Saturday at 2—2 in the lifth set.—Renter.

DAVIS CUP: Semi-final round:
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Equestrianism

## Mr Holder is champion in his first season

The National Championships for Four-in-Hands, which took place at the National Courage Driving Championships, sponsored by the Gieves group and Famous Grouse Whisky at Goodwood over the weekend, was won yesterday by Mr Alwyn Holder, a plant hire contractor from Surrec. contractor from Surrey. comractor from Surrey.

Driving a mixed team of two part-bred bay Welsh Cob leaders, and two grey Wheelers of lighter type, he scored a 63 points rictory over the Duke of Edinburgh, who was driving four Cleveland Eay geldings—Merlin, Mexico, Solomon and Niagara, driven to a dogcart, owned by the Queen, and stabled in the Royal Mews at Windsor Castle.

Mr Holder only started driving a four-in-hand last Christmas, which he broke his young team to harness on the experience gained

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

which he broke his young team to harness on the experience gained drom driving pairs and singles for several years. Eis doughters ride them in riding club events and they inspired his interest in horses some 10 years ago. "I was riding a poshbike accompanying one daughter on a pony and I thought: "This is no good. I'll buy a horse." Now I'm the keen one!"

Royal Windsor was his first

tourhest events in the country, which he won, and he is now the national champion, quite a feat in his first season. In his first season.

The sport is still in its infancy, having started as recently as 1972, based on the ridden three-day events, and it is bound to have teching troubles, not least being the relatively esoteric nature of the exercise. Nevertheless, 14 horse teams can now be mustered in this country, in addition to five pony teams, six tandems, 25 pairs and some 60 singles.

But qualification for the national championshims it ar present imchampionships is at present im-possible, because of the undesir-ability of turning anyone away. Thus the hazards of the 18-mile

speed and endurance stage have to be geared to the competent and the inexperienced alike.

When the popularity of these events increases, as it has by leaps and bounds, the standard of comperence improves, more funds will become available and a grading system can be introduced. These system can be introduced. These trials are somewhat reminiscent of the first Sadminton three day event in 1949. However, the six hazards did their job so well that Prince Phillip had to unhitch his team. This cost him 45 obstacles. It time receptives and the ritle.

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still in contention

Donnelly, 9-4, 5-9, 9-1, 9-6, O'Connor edged home against Cheetham 6-9, 9-4, 5-9, 9-2, 10-8. Egypt moved into third place by defeating New Zealand 2-1. Along with Awai's defeat over Brownice, Mohamed Awai beat Lilley 9-3, 9-6, 9-6, Soliman lost 9-5, 9-3, 9-5 to Brown who gave New Zealand their one victory.—Reuter.

SHOOTING

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avoiding an increase in tomofrows unemployment figures that they are not cutting some of the wasteful bureaucratic machinery that we have in this country, which inhibits the whole of dynamism in industry and commerce. They are not cutting that because they know they'd be cutting that because they know they do be purring people out of work tomorrow. Instead of which they are cutting the infrastructure which is going to make us dynamic for the future. That is going to put people out of work in three or four years time, but of course governments take the short view. "As we've been told by very famous politicians, a week in politics is a long time. This is the great dilemma. The time

election:

The second thing is the bureaucracy. I could go on and on about this. I'll give your an example. We are operating in the south-east of the United States, building houses. We do everything: We start from the beginning and we eventually sell the property of the start of the property of the second start of the property of the second start of the second sta

Sir Maurice is highly critical of the

of the twentieth century.
"What we are doing in the States we

"I couldn't understand it. I was with him one day and went and had a look at what he was doing. Tell me, I said, how did you manage to get that contract so much below us? He showed me a bridge he was in process of building across a town. By changing the design he had reduced the cost from over a million pounds to just about £600,000. He'd done in he managing to find a way of only.

The Laing group has an annual turn Paratina Faragener

"There are bound to be some major There are bound to be some major projects coming forward. There is going to be the occasional power station, things like the development of coaffields and ports, bridges and the like, but they are going to be less, at least for the next less which ingly diversified at home.

"We built three North Sea platforms were successfully indeed, a remarkable achievement—two for Forties, one for Ninlan. We haven't got any orders at the latest the latest the latest three North Sea platforms were successfully indeed, a remarkable achievement—two for Forties, one for latest three late

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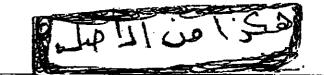
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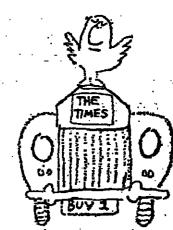
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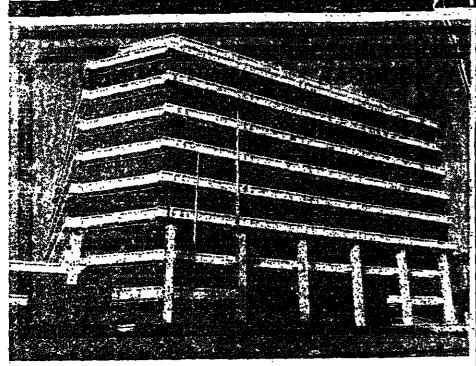
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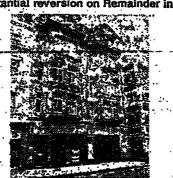
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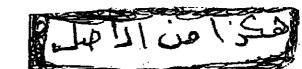
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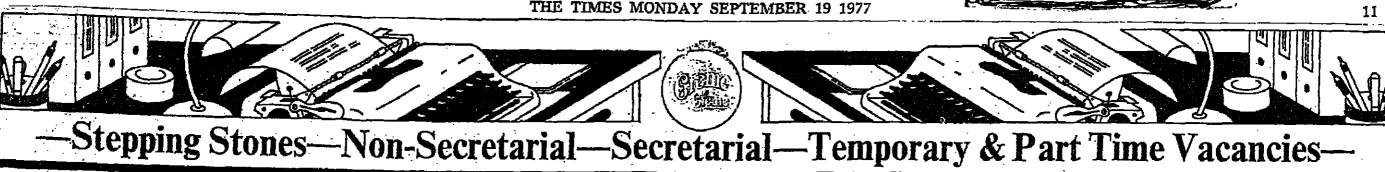
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When Cyril Cusack opens as Fluther Good the carpenner in The Plough and the Stars at the Olivier tomorrow algar is will be his first appearance on the boards of the new National Theatre though not, of course, his first appearance in that

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his first appearance in that play:

"I started playing in it regularly when I first joined the Abbey Company in Dublin in 1932, and then in 1939 we brought it to London and I played the Covey. I've aged a bit, now, though, so I'm in the part my old stepfather Brefni O'Rorke used to play. In those days of course O'Casey was alive and we used to see a lot of him when we'd form floxamand-jetsam Irish companies to play in London. This company [Susan Fleetwood, J. G. Devlin, Anna Manahan under Bill Bryden's direction] is one of the Anna Manahan under Bill Bryden's direction I is one of the best mough. Sean gave me the rights to do the first production of his Bishop's Bonfire in Dublin, you know, so long as I wasn't et the Abbey which he hated. We got terrible Irish reviews but very good English ones end the police were out on the first night to prevent any trouble. But he was at the end of his tether by then, living in Torquay and all, and although he gave me his last play I never did it."

Cusack himself, though only 67 and in visibly good shape, reckons this may be one of his last London appearances: last London appearances:
"I've been going a long time

you know, and O'Casey and Shaw have done me very well Shaw have done me very well and I hope I haven't done them too badly either: but I begin to wish I'd acted less and written more, and maybe now I'll just stay in Dublin and get on with the poems and all. Except that the tax people seem to want £36,000 from me, so I'll have in just find some way of want £36,000 from me, so I'll have to just find some way of earning that first. I had an Epstein head of Shaw which I bought for nearly nothing years and years ago and maybe if I sold fhat it would pay the tax and give me a pension for life but I've found something better to do with it and next month to do with it and next month I'm going to present it to the green room at the Abbey in Dublin; not the front of the theatre, mind you, but the green room so it'll be there just for the actors I want them. for the actors. I want them to put a sign under it saying There are no small parts—just big actors. Directors, you know, are always trying to make you believe that actors are small but we're not; even when we're in bad roles we're huge. That's the trouble with the theatre now: it's far too full of directors telling you to talk louder or softer or move left or right. Any half-good actor knows in his bowels what

to do on a stage once he gets there: directors just cloud the Though there were several years in which MacLiammoir could have challenged him for he title, there's not much doubt in any Dublin minds now that Cyril Cusack is their leading player: yet he himself remains haunted by the ghosts of the

Abbey's past: When they first asked me to play Fluther on a tour of tion of The Doctor's Dilemma America last year and then at at the Haymarket in 1942: the National I refused: I "England has always made remember, you see, what Barry me very nervous: when I first

Albert Hall/Radio 3

Though Beethoven no longer

reigns unchallenged on Friday nights, his ninth symphony still

retains its time-konoured pace at the penultimate prom. May it always do so. Adventure is

admirable. But it must never

be forgotten that hundreds of

young enrirusiasts still rely on these concerts for coming to

grips with the basic repertory.

Bernard Haitink, in charge
of the London Philharmonic
Orchestra and Choir on Friday,

kept much in reserve for the

Songmakers' Almanac

After so imaginative a first

season, the talented young

group operating under the name

of The Songmakers' Almanac

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rket in 1942: ings at the end of the first movement, and the seamless flow of the Adagio, as if with all bar-lines dissolved.

Cyril Cusack

the very first week of the run [when the Nationalists thought

when the Nationalists thought that O'Casey had gone too far in underlining the terrible nature of Iteland's beauty! "Barry used to knock the customers straight back over the footlights into the audience. You don't forget a man like that In America less were

that In America last year,

though, they said I wasn't too

bad in the part only some of them found the dialect hard to

follow. I think that was because

of the microphones. We've lost

contact now, you know, with the

normal variations and dealect patterns of the human voice: it's all become so standardised and mechanised that accents

Born in Durban in 1910, the son of a chorus girl distantly

related to Dan Lemo and of an officer in the Natal Mounted

Police, he first arived in Ireland

in the midst of the 1916 troubles:

"Mother had enough of the Dark Continent and left my father there, and back in Dub-lin she married O'Rorke who

was already in the theatre and that was how I started, though I think I was intended to be a

cause shock."

Fitzgerald used to do with the played here in 1930 a phore

Yet in was in the choral finale that the floodgates fully opened and despite some highly expressive playing from cellos and basses in the recitative and the joy theme, it was the voices, after Reimund Herinca's rising injunction to sound notes more welcome and

joyful, that did the trick. Heather Harper, Helen Watts and Rob: Tear completed the well-blended solo quartet, with soprano and tenor exulting in their ear-catching melody. Bold though not over large, the choic deserved special praise for their attention to the conducend. There were fine things their attention to the conduc-earlier, not least the growth of tor's own scrupulous observ-the sinister chromatic mutter- ance of dynamics, not for-

This notice is reprinted from Saturday's later editions. new series of six recitals with a gripping programme of his own devising built round Schubert and Johann Michael Vogl. The first of music's great part-

nerships in song was how Mr Johnson described it, citing Poulenc and Bernac and Britten and Pears as modern counter-As reminder of the eminent, middle-aged operatic baritone Vogi-aiready was when he and Touride. This was warmly sung by Richard Jackson, the Vogl of the worshipping young Schubert first met, the opening music came from Glack's Iphigénie en the evening to Mr Johnson's

keyboard Schubert while Peter Barkworth recounted (not always as clearly as might have been expected from an actor) the carefully researched background tale. Songs were threaded into the dialogue at

Montherlant play for

the Mermaid The Mermaid Theatre is to pre-sent the first English stage pro-duction of Henry de Monther-lam's famous play The City Whose Prince is a Child, with Nigel Hawthorne, Dai Eradley, Adam Bareham, David William, George Tarry and Richard Beau-mont. The English version is by Vivian Cox with Bernard Miles. and the production is directed by Bernard Miles and designed by Adrian Vaux

and the profive Bernard M by Adrian Va The City W Child, when Paris some 10 a sensation. I lic boys' schand is a move the examinat love and the of jealousy. The prod October 13. The City Whose Prince is a Child, when first produced in Paris some 10 years ago, caused a sensation. It is set in a Catholic boys' school outside Paris and is a moving and sympathetic examination of adolescent love and the destructive power of jestousy.

The production opens on

every relevant point, ranging from matches of "Ganymed" through the specially commissioned opera, Die Zwillings-brüder, to memorial tributes " Die Taubenpost"-for like Vogl lived on 12 years, to die at 72 perhaps still the more renowned of the pair.

Mr Jackson included a telling example of Vogl's way of embellishing Schubert, besides emphasizing (not least in the second verse of "Der greise Kopf") that vivid response to words for which he was some-times riticized—like Fischer-Dieskau today, as Mr Johnson's programme-note pertinently observed. Mr Johnson himself planly shared Schubert's own lilling for this rich kind of characterization, matching it enough in his own playing to explain the composer's remark that "whn Vogl sings and I accompany him we seem for the moment to be one.".

Young Vic's new season The Young Vic starts its eighth year in The Cut on September 30 with Henry Pilk's Awesome Worlds, a con show written and directed by Ken Camp-

bell, whose previous cesses have been The Ken Cantiell Road Show and, recently, Illuminatus at the National Theatre. The author describes the play as a rave chance to experience the grotesque and eccentric playlets of Henry Pilk.

Scapino, a new production with Derek Griffiths playing the leading role, and a revival of The Taming of the Surce will both be directed by Frank Dunlop and designed by Carl Toms. Scapino opens on October 12. The Taming of the ber 13, The Turning of Shrew on November 3.

'I believe in the power of the actor' World history

The Silmarillion By J. R. R. Tolkien Edited by Christopher Tolkien (Allen & Unwin, £4.95)

(Allen & Unuta, £4.95).
Alas, no news from the Shire.
In The Silmarillion, with its
accompanying books the
Abradinale, the Valaquents
and the Akallabeth and an
additional essay; Tolkien
narrates the history of the Earst
Age of the World from its
creation in music by the Akaur
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of the Ringbearers from Mathland into the Ancient West.
This is in a sense his Old or the Ringbearers from feithlond into the Ancient West.

This is in a sense his old
Testament: but without the
excitement and readability of
that narrative. Lovers of The
Lord of the Rings who come to
this book for the compulsive
readability, the quick narrative
and endearing characterization
of that runaway best seller will
be sadly disappointed. The
Silmarillion is a bare chronicle
in which the characters are lay
figures, remote, distant and
impersonal. When Seares of
Mordor, for instance, casts
Beren and Felagund into the
deep pit, the rest is dismissed
in a single line: "From time
to time they saw two eyes
lendled in the dark, and a
werewolf devoured one of the
companions, but none betrayed companions, but none betrayed their lord. Think what a splendid story Bilbo would have made of that!

But to be fair, the incident is sufficiently outlined;
Tolkien is after all hurrying, through an entire world history, attempting to get the essentials down before they are lost. (That this is the truth can hardly be doubted by arrone who has read the long saga of the composition of The Silmarillion in Humphrey Carpenter's excellent biography of Tolkien—which also makes part and I was even on the rang backstage and I had to stage while he was playing it edunt I didn't know which end sometimes. During the riots in to speak anno: then I had to

if I was a gentleman I wouldn't have to ask the question and I never did find our. Then came The Doctor's Dilemma and the tour was fine, Last Night of the Proms Albert Hall / Radio 3 dodging bombs up and down the country, but then we opened in London and on St Patrick's Day I found myself far from home and in a momen

of darkness I took a drink or two and the next thing I knew they were replacing me with John Gielgud and that was Back in Ireland, his pride hunt but his career undamaged he decided that the Abbey was moving too slowly and formed a company of his own which, with occasional sorties to Holly wood, he ran through the 1950s:

"Like most actors I did the films to finance the plays, but I was nervous of becoming the Hollywood Irishman so on stage did a lot of Durrenmatt and Shakespeare. But I'm still very proud of being an associate of the Irish National Theatre—you have to remember that ours is a baby theatre compared to a baby theatre compared to London or Paris, and nonly saxty years we have achieved an extraordinary conspiracy of the arts. I don't like to reject the past: what's been killing the Abbey is not too great a reliance on O'Casey but the in-

walk onstage with a young lady and the director hadn't told us

who was to appear first, so I asked the lady if she should so first or I should, and she said

lawyer. But we used to tour Ireland fifty weeks of the year so there wasn't much chance of any schooling."

By the time the war came Cusack had established a dis-tinguished reputation at the Abbey and on occasional tours of England: so distinguished, in fact, that he was invited by trusion of bureaucrats and aca-Tennents to play opposite Vivien Leigh in a starry producdemics disguised as directors. believe in the power of the actor, on stage and off."

Sheridan Morley

getting that sudden diminuende

in the last phrase of the joy theme itself. There was great rhytistic exhibitation in the livelier march-like sections. Trumpets march-less sections. Trumpels and trombones, seated a tier higher than their follows, made a very positive contribution to the joyful noise.

The concert began with Reubke's organ sonata on the 94th Psalm. John Scott, at 21, 94th Psalm. John Scott, at 21, just two years younger than the composer when he wrote it, played with great aplomb and unusually wide range of dynamics. Since spirits ran so high in the promenade, it—was just bad luck for him that he was compelled to launch the work with a pianissimo instead of one of those roars he gave us later.

academica, whose pingent delights may be learned but certainly not academic, brought the serious proceedings to a fine close, with excellent sole contributions from Jennifer Smith, Sareh Walker, Anthony Rolle Johnson and Makeulm Paul Graffiths Britannia may no longer rule the waves, and we may still be some way from building the new Jerusalem, but the Last Night of the Prous remains as

But I am forgetting that the Last Night is a musical occasion, a concert if I am not mistaken. This year the task of holding the sudience in the first part of the programme fell largely on the shoulders of Kwong Wha Chung, who provided a gripping account of the Walton violin concerto, as urgent as it was rhapsodically lyrical. It was pleasing to find, too, that the late Lord Britten had been

Everyman

BBC 1 Michael Ratcliffe having arrived early at the office that day to stem the tide of filth rising at the door—she felt that if she did nothing have assumed it was because God, condoning a temporary reverse, had wished it to do so. If this second remark was mysterious, the first though apparently sympathetic, was suggestive in the extreme. Had

all the publicity, vilification, distress and expense been distress and expense been caused because one woman had, by her own admission, gone to war to correct her own standing with God? Some members of the homosexual community felt that their very existence was that file! very existence was threatened, yet when they marched down Kings Road cheerfully chanting "Mary Whitehouse! Dead! Dead! Dead!" they presented a sight almost as unpleasent as Mrs Whitehouse when she says

It was a pity that none of them was asked back in the second half to give a lead in "Rule, Britannia". And this hopeful and glorious an event second half to give a fear in as it elways was. Will it ever "Role, Britannia". And this change? Will there be a . of was not the only break with Last Night? Surely not, as k . or convention. James Loughran, as we feel the need for a celebrating the arrival of a annual hour of ever more Scotsman to conduct the Last Night introduced "Auld Lang convention. James Loughran, celebrating the arrival of a

Scotsman to conduct the Last Night, introduced "Auld Lang Syne" at the close of his speech instead of launching straight into the National Anthem. He also allowed not just one but two encors of "Land of Hore and Glory", showing a com-plaisance which also led him to permit an unprecedented amount of audience assistance in the Sea Songs. Sad to say, the Last Night is still in search of a drillmaster, may, a Sargent.

when she first read James Kirkup's poem about Christ and the centurion in Gay Newsabout it she would be as one with the people who rejected Christ at the time of his Crucifixion. She later remarked in the course of this exceptionally dispassionate study of the sub-sequent trial that if the verdict had gone against her she would

things like "I did what I did out of love of the Lord", and then grins. Blasphemy was the chief issue at stake, of course, but compared to the place of the arrogant conscience in the Mary Whitehouse told us that late twentieth century, and in spire of the coming appeal, it's

The bulk of this Everyman, however, comprised a dramatic reconstruction of the proceed. ings, with actors impersonatings the participants and speaking the words used at the trial. It sounded a dreadful idea and it; worked marvellously, presenting the core of the arguments in austere and rivering styley. Hugh David directed the actoglication of the actogli shots, the drama found for Canashots, the drama found for Canashots, the drama found for Canashots; by its use of film so by displaying the plaintiff ber garden, the document found for Mrs. Whitehous although Pm outre sure although I'm quite sure were not supposed to no

nor that many people would It was this subtle differe of opinion at the heart of production that enabled the ; gramme to present both poi of view equally end to me they had made up their mi beforehand, would be c pelled, if not to change th at least to hear the other's A studio char show could ne have done that.

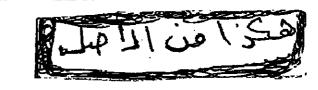
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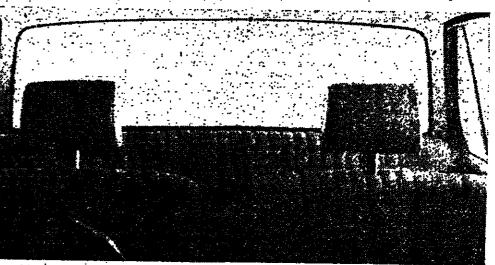
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## How far would the Tories go to woo the Liberals?

The latest Gallup Poli shows the Conservative lead over Labour declining for the month in succession and at 4.5 per cent standing at the lowest level for a year. No doubt this can be attrib- tive philosophy of government uted to the novel experience of and economic management that economic good news and the mild attack of euphoria may effects.

well wear off in the coming months. It would certainly be rash at this stage to predict that the trend will continue and that the Conservatives' chances are melting away. But these figures do point to the possibility of another hung Parliament with no single party having an overall majority.

something that taken no account of up to now. Although Mrs Thatcher bas

ise of a sharp change in direction not simply an exercise in good housekeeping. She wants to put into operation a distincmight be disconcerting at first but beneficial in its ultimate

To compromise too much with other parties might not be consistent with the nature of that appeal. So the Conservatives made no attempt to woo the Liberals before the Lib-Leb pact in May. There have been some efforts to see if an accommodation might be possible with the Ulster Union-

party with this philosophy hament waves should not have been worrying overall majority, about what deals might be Should they a required if it is to hold office all without such in a hung Parliament. All as so, should they of a formal c

thought has been given to this question by party officials and by one or two senior Conserva-tives, But the Shadow Cabinet has not discussed it, nor has antention to it.

psychology. If you really want than a test of will and determiand the pressures on Conserva-

policies, the general style ning a majority, not wondering parliamentary understanding? left Whether that would ever of her leadership has been what it might do with a With whom might they conhappen does not effect this cal-assertive. She offers the prominionity of seass. Some template a deal? How far dare culation. Liberals can tell in the control of the control they go in offering conces themselves that the closer they sions? these questions do arise they will present more delicate dilemmas for the Conservatives experience of the Lib-Lab pact. Mr Embyn Hooson, the Liberal

for Montgomeryshire, said reek ago that if the result of the next general election was a very even balance of the parties the Liberals would be quite prepared to give equal consideration to an agreed proas with the Labour Party. But declared his distaste for Thancher There is a principal

get to the Labour leadership the less the left will like it and the greater the tensions will be within that party.

What could the Conservatives offer them to compare

find themselves competing for Liberal favour after the next election that is the only way they could outbid Labour. they could outbid Would it be worth it? mantly opposed to proportional representation perily because she believes it would so much reduce the chances of strong government. Would that objec-

tive attinude to devolution is book by then. If such legisla reflection is no doubt prompbased on the assumption that tion has been passed, then the the Scottish Nationalist threat bargaining would concentrate is exaggerated. If that assump on further powers for an tion is disproved—and for the essembly—especially further SNP to hold the balance or financial powers. Westminster they would almost certainly have to win quite a point would be whether the few more sears—the Conserva assembly would be given a tives would need to make an chunk of the oil revenue and embarrassing reappraisal of that, unlikely though it may their Scottish policy anyway.

passing to find out if the nationalists would support Labour rather than the Tories on doctrinal grounds. The answer is that the SNP would could from either. Assuming that the SNP has a majority neither of seats nor.

There has been nothing that Party afflicted by the tempcould reasonably be interpreted as a Conservative overture to the SNP, but there giving an assembly the econohave been some anemors in mic substance of independence
passing to find out if the of events, and that events may against a hong Parliament must be quite high But this

for the Conservatives than bargaining over the creation of remaiding those whom it may many people would now sup an assembly if there is no concern that when the occasion pose. The prevailing Conservation Bill on the statute arises time is very short. That ted by his own experience in March, 1974. But it is always liberty to be true.

The political atmosphere is the temptations are great, there are opportunities discerned until it is too late. simply bargaining counters be-tween the parties. They are likely to be constitutional ques-

#### **Lord Chalfont**

## Korea: the risks in changing the power game rules

It lies beside a small stream in Korea at the foot of a wooded hill under the soft autumn rain
—a pleasant little place of grey
stone and green grass with a single rose tree and an in-scription carved into the rock of the hillside. It honours the dead of the Gloucestershire Regiment and the Royal Artil-lery who, in April 1951, fought for four days against impossible odds to defend the city of Scoul. The memorial is tended by children from a Korean school and permanently guarded by a Korean soldier. It is one of those sad monuments to a central paradox of the human condition—the squaled futility of war and the sublime courage and self-sacrifice of

those who are from time to time cought up in it.

You can see remote little gardens of this kind in the eren hills of Eritrea, at the village near Rorke's Drift in Zululand, at the bridge across the River Kwai in Thailand, and in a hundred other places across the world; but this one in the Korean hills has a of this beautiful country have not wasted the legacy left to them by their defenders. In the 25 years since the end of the war, and more dramatically in the last ten, they have wrought what it is fashionable to call an economic miracle; except that what has been achieved in Korea owes nothing to the super-naturai.

The Confucian ethic teaches that work is not a hardship or a burden, but rather a priviliged opportunity to serve community and family. Koreans work with the obsessive concentration of an alcoholic drinking; and this formidable diligence is given shape and direction by a leaderwhich allows no ideological irrelevances to stand in the way of the national pur-nose. The President of Korea, Park Chung Hee, is the working chief executive of a single financial and commercial conpiomerate enterprise: a centprivate enterprise is given the task of implementing the plan

and is generously rewarded for doing so. The fulfilment of the plan is the sole national corporate objective. The result is a country in which the gross national product went up by more than 15

per cent last year. In 1976 there was an inflation rate of

12 per cent and a rise in mini-mum wages of 25 per cent—an improvement in real living standards unequalled anywhere in the world. There are more than 80 universities for a population of 36,000,000, and a literacy rate of over 90 per cent.

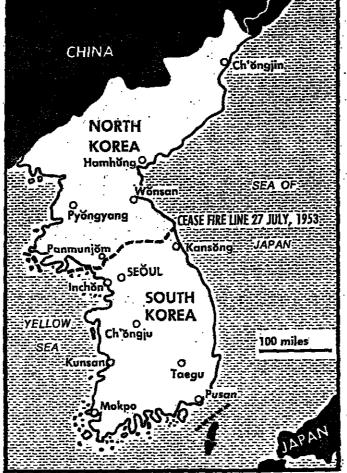
Exports are approaching the magic mark of \$10,000m a year and the annual income per head of the population will soon reach a thousand dollars phenomenal achievement for a country which was in ruins 20 years ago and which is still officially classed as a "less developed country" It is customary for western observers to comment that this has not been achieved without some cost. Certainly President Park's style of government, like that of Lee Kuan Yew in Singapore, is frankly authoritarian; and some of its more abrasive manifestations are likely to offend the susceptibilities of those accustomed to breathe the pure air of western liberal democracy. But the Koreans themselves are more pragmatic. They are prepared to get by for a while without what they regard

A disciplined, obedient and industrious nation is seen by the Korean leadership not only onomic calculations, but also in the context of its military security. Across the DMZ (the demilitarized zone which runs along the border formalized by the armistice agreement of 1953) the armed forces of communist North Korea pose a constant threat. They out-number the forces of the South by two to one in almost every

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category of weapon and equip-ment. They are armed with modern Russian tanks, guns and aircraft—all concealed in underground emplacements and concrete shelters near the border. They have nearly half a million men out of a population of 17,000,000 permanently under arms and nearly 2,000 tanks, many only 30 miles from Seoul. Their MiG fighter-bombers could be over the capital of the South in three minutes. It will, of course at once be A claimed by some egregious far

expert" that this can all be explained by the need to pro-tect the Democratic People's Republic of North Korea from the aggressive South and its American allies. In that case it will have to be explained why the North Koreans went to considerable trouble to dig tunnels, often through solid rock, under the south. It is, to say the least, difficult to discern the defensive value of such an operation.

A precarious balance has so far been maintained by the

Command. Now, that balance is threatened by President Carter's decision to withdraw the American combat ground forces by 1982. It is difficult to criti-cize the President for honouring an election promise; it is, however, permissible to wonder upon what conceivable strategic consideration he could ever have made such a promise in

It is, of course, pointed out that the American air force in the area will remain, that it will even be strengthened; and there are unmistakable hints in official quarters that it will retain its "theatre nuclear capability". Furthermore we are told that over the five-year period of the withdrawal, Korean troops will be trained and equipped with modern American weapons to take the place of the departing United States former None of this States forces. None of this, however, reassures the Koreans. Their arguments, which carry unmistakable conviction are that the classical sign of commitment to a military alliance is the commitment of troops the ground; that the absence those troops severely kens the credibility of the

nuclear deterrent; and that the communist superpowers are more likely to support North Korea in a military adventure if they calculate that the possi-Whatever the validity of these arguments (and there is no reason why they should carry less weight in Korea than in western Europe) it is beyond

doubt that President Carter's decision has had a profound psychological effect throughout North-East Asia. Korea is the key to the defence of Japan and ultimately to Pacific security as a whole. The Asian countries are now contemplating American foreign policy with alarm and perplexity. Apart from the uncertainties engen-dered by the attitude of the United States Covernment in @ Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977.

Southern Africa, the Middle East and Panama, they are no longer in any doubt that the Americans will abandon Teiwan -probably even before they have withdrawn the 2nd United States Division from Korea. They certainly regard it as no accident that Madame Chiang Kai-shek has just returned from a visit to Moscow.

The repercussions of all this are incalculable. Japan will almost certainly need to reassess its own military policies—and the implications of this scarcely need elaboration. Furthermore there is already much talk in Seoul of the possibility that Scott of the possionary that Korea may have to manufacture its own nuclear weapon to compensate for the loss of American credibility. Faced with the possibility of military aggression politicians become notably impervious to sophisticated argument about the dangers of nuclear prolifers

The American decision has changed the rules of the game in North-East Asia, and only one thing can be stated with certainty. If there should be a communist success in the area it will not only mark the end of the remarkable story of Korea's rise from poverty to prosperity
the global balance of power
will also be changed, radically and possibly irreversibly. Korea is a far-off place, and it may not be easy to accept that the defence of the Han River the security of the free world as that of the Rhine and West Berlin; but freedom, it needs to be said yet again, is indivisible, and the fate of South Korea and the rate or south kores should be a matter of deep concern—even to those who may be equally indifferent to the memory of the young men who, a long while since, came from their Cotswold viriages half way across the world to defend that freedom; and to defend that freedom; and to the future of the Korean child-

who were not born when they died.

which journalists had to work during the Spanish war. It ex-poses the intellectual medio-

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#### Raymond Fletcher

#### Mr Johnson must have forgotten his history

In the days when the British ntelligentsia marched to and from Aldermaston, malemodelled itself on the obnoxious "hero" of Look Back in Anger, and noisily pro-claimed that the Day of Libera-tion was nigh, there was one voice I detected amid the general cacophony that seemed

to me to be clear and quite free from the hysterical overtones of most of the rest.
It was that of Mr Paul Johnfor some years, but after read-ing his contribution to a collection of essays (Conviction I think it was called) I concluded that he would get through what was only a prolonged silly season unscathed and eventually deliver the kind

ber of the intelligentsia. His was not the best essay in the book. That, as usual, was written by Mr Mervyn Jones, then as now the most formid-able polemicist in the ranks of British socialism: But Mr Johnson's was distinctive in that it combined a sense of outrage with that much rarer and more valuable quality, a sense of

history.

The latter has produced two major works, The Offshore Islanders and a biography of Elizabeth I, the first of which my feelings about Britain and the British that, even now, I am reluctant to take arms against

Until I read Mr Johnson's historical works. I was with the British Labour Party but never really of it. After reading him an inner glacial shift took place. I began to belong to what I had once merely joined, though I can still, when irritated, use the term "Labourite" as an expression of contempt.

Many, if not most, of the gut reactions of my party col-leagues remain quite incompre-hensible to me. I do not from at the mouth when "means tests" are mentioned. The tests" are mentioned. The Divine Rights that my fellow-countryment deny to their rulers are never going to be extended, by my vote, to shop stewards. And my object in political life is to abolish the working class, not to hail its coming triumph with maso-chistic enthusiasm.

l can quite understand, therefore, why Mr Johnson's sense of outrage should have driven him out of the party whose proclaimed intentions he was vigorously advocating long after I had openly repudiated so many of them. He now selects 1969 as the year when things started to go wrong. It was in the same year that Encounter published my own essay "Where did it all go wrong?"—which was greeted by the New Statesman with a page of abuse by one of the restaurant Robespierres Mr Johnson employed at the time. Not all members of the Parliamentary Labour Party were, as Mr Johnson contemptuously described us at the time, "donkeys led by lions". Some of us understood that a political problem—bringing trade union power into balance with other forms of the same thine-could be solved only by politicians; and many of us,

despite our membership of the House of Commens, do not

the made the New Statesman what it was and keep it what it and to the Daniel is, our first impulse when con- det is promise frosted with a supposedly then will irresistible force is to place mough the arms ourselves in front of it as form; for a ready satisfying me deady. handly to be compared in the it can isoletically satisfying no doubt but it can isoletic the compared in the it can isoletic the compared in the interest with the Callaghan take method of riding iterd on the site of execution of a democratic direction that its irresistibility the people in the dissolves as it moves.

Nobody understands better than Paul Johnson, the historian that those who make history are seldom aware of what they are doing. Take, for agonather party instance, the Putney debates and union close which are so vividly described butter has restain The Offshore Islanders. The yeoman-soldiers who terms that offer debated with their generals in the control of the contr Putney Church were concerned his heart than with severely practical matters, is head. Shiff Cromwell did a deal with the sai is imposs. King, what would happen to have theed ston those who had served under him has stablished on

those who had served under him ratestablished of against the King? Were the words she declored mercenaries, traitors, citizens, and she declored or what? And, if they did have to the reed a different (and wholly new) and for the indicates, how could they share in the practice protected it?

These were the matters in the use their hand at Putney. In dealing with rely, but also by these, however, men hards these, however, men harding noticed by historians for the homeake clear of centuries invented democracy in of legislation at the also, both in word and deed, brought into the world is the spoke of acceptance of expanding measonably denistrated minimum and the spoke of acceptance of expanding measonably denistrated minimum and the spoke of acceptance appearances. The surface appearances who she seemed still is) the essence of modern may means by who social democracy.

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#### The myth and the awful truth of the Guernica bombing structs the conditions under had been dynamized by Basque

To a world which has witnessed the slaughter engendered by Hitler and Stelin, to say nothing of the Korean and wars, the Spanish Civil War might well seem small beer. After Dresden and Hiroshima, After Dresden and Hiroshima, the destruction of Guernica could appear to be no more than a second rate piece of thuggery. Yet, for all that, the bombing of the sleepy Basque marker town on April 26. 1937, has probably provoked more savage polemic than any single act of war since. This is partly because it was the is partly because it was the first time that aerial bombardment wiped out an undefended civilian target. With the aid Picasso's searing painting, Guernica is now remembered as the place where the new and lintrific modern warfare came

of age.
It has been claimed increasingly of late that, but for Picasso, Guernica would have soon been forgotten as a regretable but unavoidable act of war. That this is to miss much of the teal drama of Cueroica is a point made by a recent work hased on the most thorough-going investigative scholarship.

Guernica Guernica, just published by the University of ing something of a Basque hero

book on the Spanish war by Herbert Rudedge Southworth, a retired American broadcaster and historian, who lives in a secluded French château near Poitiers. Dr Southworth's painstaking and grapping study of the myth of Guernica and the web of lies that was constructed around it shows that the survival of the controversy owes as much to the work of a Times correspondent as to

The special envoy of The Times with the Republican forces in Bilbao during the Spring of 1937 was George Lowther Steer. Born in South Africa in 1909, a scholar of Winchester and New College, Steer worked for the Yarkshire Post before joining The Times to cover the Italo-Ethiopian war. His descriptions of Italian atrocities made his reputation as an intrepid war correspondent and ensured that he would be expelled by the vic-torious forces of the Duce. He

-exiled Basques published the book in translation in Buenos Steer was in Bilbao on the

Steer was in Bilbao on the night of April 26 when news came in that Guernica was burning. With Noel Monks of the Daily Express, Christopher Holme of Reuters and Mathieu Corman of the Parisian Ce Soir, Steer drove to Guernica. Arriving at 11 pm, he stayed until the early hours of the morning of the 27th interviewing survivors. His dispatch, which appeared on April 28 in The Times and the New York Times, subdued and unsensational in tone, was, in the opinion of Dr Southworth, probably the most important report filed by a newsman during the Civil War. It opened with this paragraph: It opened with this paragraph: it opened with this paragraph:
Guernica, the most andeut
town of the Basques and the
centre of their cultural tradition, was completely destroyed
by insurgent air raiders. The
bombardment of this open town
far behind the lines occupied
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quarter, during which a powerful fleet of aeroplanes consistting of three German types,
Junkers and Reinkel bombers
and Heinkel fighters, did not
cease unloading on the town
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downwards and, it is calculated,

more than 3,000 two-pounder aluminium incendiary projectiles. Going on to describe the Going on to describe file destruction wrought and the plight of the refugees, Steer offered the conclusion that "the object of the bombardment was seemingly the demoralization of the civil population and the destruction of the cradle of the Basque race." race". That was not an unreasonable suggestion. With the

triumphant progress of their forces held up by the resist-ance under siege of Madrid, the Francoist forces had turned against the northern strong-holds of the Republic at the end of March. General Mola opened his northern war effort with the widely publicized threat, "if the submission is not immediate, I will raze all not immediate, I will raze all probably led to the Nazi expulsion of Norman Ebbutt, The Condor Legion attack on Times nan in Berlin, the paper Guernica was warning of what would happen if Bibbao did not surrender quickly

Nevertheless, the Nationalists immediately denied that Guernica had happened. The Guernica had happened. The Army However, his reputation head of the Francoist foreign is now triumphantly vindicated press bureau, Luis Bolin, by Herbert Southworth. Guerspread the view that Guernica mica Guernica carefully recon-

saboteurs. individual, An unpleasant who regularly regularly threatened to shoot journalists who did not print stories which suited Nationalist propaganda, Bolin was the man who arrested Arthur Koestler in Melaga. His views were rapidly taken up by a number of English friends of the Francoist cause, Douglas Jerrold, Arnold Lum and Robert Sencourt. The most consistent feature of their resistance of their series. George Steer's personal and professional integrity. Accusa-tions that he had lied about Guernica continued to be made until the 1970s, despite the fact that The Times had published Steer's dispatch in the period of Gooffrey Dowson's most avid appeasement. Although the pub-lication of the dispatch had

George Steer was killed in Burma in 1945, serving as a lieutenant colonel in the British

poses the intellectual metho-crity of the Francoist propa-gandists who attacked Steer. Dr Southworth also examines the relationship between Spanish witing on Guernica and the growth of the Basque problem in the 1960s. He shows that an attempt was made by regime historians to defuse the tension between Madrid and the Basques by means of a reappraisal of Guernica. It was crucial to that operation that, if it were necessary to admit overwhelming evidence that Steer was right in saving that the Condor Legion had bombed the Condor Legion had bombed the town, the Nationalist high command be exonerated of responsibility. The exercise was largely sophistry since the Germans were in Spain at Franco's request, but Dr Southworth proves by dint of careful analysis of Francoist sources that the bombing was carried out at the request of the Nationalists in order to destroy Basque morale Basque morale

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#### LEAPMAN IN AMERICA

The reputation of Texas is of a masculine state. From frontier days, there are few records to indicate that the wide open spaces were rounded by anybut men. There were cowboys but not many cowgirls. And today, the oil in-dustry on which the state's economy is based is over-whelmingly male-dominated. I cannot think of a female oil tycoon (though I should be gled to hear from one). It therefore seems out of

city for several weeks, she held on to her job. She is a small fair-haired. earnest woman of 39 who hails from Montana and, when I met her, was dressed ready for the fray in a khaki trouser suit, battledress style. She works in an office away from City Hall called the Affirmative Action

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women are as assertive as the right to have an abortion.

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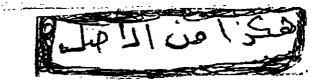
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industry's main responsibility to provide every worker with a fair wage for his labours. But The Times

goes further and argues that the

minimum should not be enforced for fear of creating more unemploy-

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constituted could afford to pay a

decent minimum wage to all

workers or, failing this, to educate

consumers of their responsibility in

readers to realize just how low these

minimum rates are. For example the

current adult rate laid down by the Hairdressing Wages Council is £23.35 for a full week's work. Yet on the basis of the Government's

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tries, catering, retailing and hair-dressing, the Low Pay Unit estimates that underpayment of

It may come as a shock to many

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## CALLING IN THE PEOPLE

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determination.

Not much profit is to be had from considering the wisdom or efficacy of a referendum in ignorance of the circumstances which prompt the calling of it. News that a Conservative government might have recourse to a referendum in case of confrontution with a union or unions is not enough to go on. But there are one or two general things to be said about Mrs Thatcher's presentation of the news.

There was some confusion about the likely context for a referendum, attributable per-haps to Mrs Thatcher's choice of occasion for launching the idea. She was at pains throughout the interview to emphasize that any future confrontation of the sort political memories dwell upon would not, so far as she is concerned, be confrontation between union and government, but between union and fellow-workers or union and the public at large. If it were the miners in the ring, it would be the National Coal Board in the opposite corner, with the government minding its own business in the auditorium. If the miners tried the whip hand, it is not on the government's back that the whip would fall but on the consumer's because of higher coal prices or because no coal was being dug because the miners were on strike because of pit closures be-cause of inability to sell coul at the higher price. But if that is the doctrine, it is hard to see how a referendum comes into it. lu referendums governments seek a special authority to do this or that. But, ex hypothesi, the government has no part to play in such a situation. The dispute is classified as one between the

miners and the general public

conform. State monopolies seem

to offer less resistance to the

idea of a monopoly on the supply

of labour. An employee dis-

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industries often apply their

closed shops barshly (it is in

British Rail, for instance, that

the law's acceptance of religious

scruple as a justification for refusal to join a union has been

the shipbuilding industry that

we published details of last week

is only the latest example of a

marked and regrettable trend in

the public sector. It comes only

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were nationalized, and it does not

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reducing the number of voices

that an employer needs to nego-tiate with and making rival unions less eager to outbid one

another in militancy. (That is not

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justify the injustices that indivi-duals may suffer.) Gains of this

Sometimes a closed shop can

of the industry.

most blatantly disregarded).

with the Coal Board in the middle. One could hardly have a national referendum on whether Sir Derek Ezra ought or ought not to shut down ten Welsh pits.

At other times Mrs Thatcher spoke as if the confrontation would indeed be between unions and elected government, the "constitutional matter". Again it is not easy to envisage a situation which a referendum might be thought to fit, especially if the government were not seeking to fix wages by law. Workers are not accustomed to striking with the declared objective of changing the government. They strike for more pay, or to prevent redundancies, or over some other aspect of their working lives. Or so they say, and in the absence of good evidence to the contrary. they must be believed. The fact that their strike may be crippling to other parts of the economy does not alter its nature. Mrs Thatcher can hardly wish to be numbered among the heads of government for whom a strike for more pay is a blow delivered

to the constitution. Once the constitutional barrier to referendums has been lowered, as it has been in Britain by the Ulster border poll and the EEC vote, diverse occasions will be found to justify their use. But there is one merciful brake upon their frequency which will never wear out. Governments, unless they are indifferent to the result (as might be the case with local option in Wales, for instance), will want to be pretty certain that they have the thing sewn up before they try it. And they cannot very often be sure of that, especially as referendums do not isolate an issue as neatly as theory proposes, always having about them something of a general vote of confidence.

workers who will not or cannot kind are not probable in shipbuilding. There is much rivalry between the many unions involved and demarcation disputes are still common, even though less crippling than they were a few years ago. But they do not involve much competitive wooing of members. Unofficial strikes are common and the disputes procedures are widely ignored. An arrangement based on the existing pattern of unions is most likely to confirm the inflexibilities and restrictive practices that accompany it

Shipbuilding is in an unhealthy state throughout the world, oversubsidized by governments, with too much capacity chasing too few orders. Nationalization in Britain does not affect the longterm need for reforms involving closures of yards and a smaller work-force. The industry has received state aid worth £400m in the past ten years, but productivity remains low: building a standard bulk carrier at Govan, There is little reason to expect for instance, takes about 600,000 man hours. In Korea or Japan the same ship would need only about 400,000 man hours. Differences in equipment account for some of this disparity, but restrictive practices in Britain are the main factor. The shipyard workers wanted their industry nationalized and they wanted the closed shop, and they have been given both. But neither will secure the prosperity of an industry that cannot eradicate its

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r. It cannot be stressed too often iw grateful is the book trade to be Times for its consistent and nerous support, especially in ening its correspondence columns a particular topic, as it is doing oursently with regard to authors

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s a senior British publisher over 50 years' experience in ling for the "reading public" there the resuscitation of the are lending library (as here fly outlined) would be welcomed he majority of readers: it would redly result in more books redly g sold (giving joy to book-rs and publishers) and above all build give authors the square they so avidly seek and so y deserve. I further believe it to entinentily practical, timely potentially profitable and I need it heartly free gratis for nothing to innovative

entrepreneurs-there are plenty in the book trade—who could put some modest venture capital to sound and worth-while employment. Yours faithfully, MARK GOULDEN,

former Chairman of W. H. Allen. 48 Lowndes Square, SW1. Seprember 14.

#### Health Service cuts From the Chairman of The City and East London Area Health

Authority (Teaching) Sir, I refer to your Weekend Broad-casting Review by Kenneth Eastaugh (September 10) about Mr Pliger's relevision programme on cuts in the Health Service. Although the reviewer was quoting Mr Pilger, the impression may be formed that the television report shown on Monday, September 12, was more than a subjective Personal Report.

Hackney Hospital has been under the media's spotlight since October last year because of the deprivation which exists in this part of London and there is nothing that this Authority has to hide. The ATV were kind enough to show us a preview of the programme and I stressed then that as far as Hackney was concerned, the cameras had concentrated exclusively on the worst parts of the fabric and the desirable aspects of the

service. Lest any of your readers should think that this is a feer nortraval of conditions in the NHS generally, may I point out that within Hackney Hospital there are some excellent features, e.g. the medical oncology unit ninneered by Professor Hamilton Fairley who was so tragically

killed.

The City and East London Area Health Authority (T) wish to emphasize that the shortcomings in Hackney are known to it. In conjunction with the CHC we have explored every facet of the service and its buildings and considerable improvements have been made. The Remort does not explain that since 1974 at least 120 psychiatric beds have been provided in Hackney.

Funds have been earmarked to build a new general hospital half a mile away from Hackney Hospital and building would start in 1979. Doubtless the aim of the Report

is to persuade the Government to shift more money into the Health Service; but the way the Report is presented spreads unnecessary apprehension among the devoted staff who work at the hospital and causes unnecessary anxiety to the

own ingrained inefficiencies.

patients who use it.

Mr Eastwich was full of praise for Mr John Pilger's anticipated pro-gramme. Perhaps a more accurate summing up of the true position is: "The trouble with the over-emotive school of television journalism— leaving aside such old fashioned considerations as belance and fair play—is that it tends to destroy its ovu credibility.

M. CUMBERLEGE, Chairman,
The City and East London Area
Health Authority (T),
32/43 Chart Street, N1.

#### Union discipline

September 13.

From Mr J. S. Chaloner Sir, The central point of Sir Frederick Catherwood's letter (September 15) is that the power of a trade union over its members is limited. Why should this be so? Why, if a union instructs its memwho are taking unofficial action, to conform to the union official line, and this is refused, bould the union not recognize that these members have terminated their membership and act accordingly? In short, take their cards away. The employer then has the right, indeed under closed shop no alternative, but to dismiss them. They might then be re-employed after giving certain undertakings. It is because this basic discipline is no longer in employers' hands,

having been assumed by the unions, who are not discharging it, that we are in trouble.

For unions to have control of the employing criteria while shrinking from asserting even their own authority when this is challenged (often to the detriment of thousands of other union workers laid off by insubordinate action of a minority) is wholly unacceptable.

Yours faithfully, J. S. CHALONER, Chairman. Seymour Press Group, 29 Eccleston Square, SW1.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Reporting yachts

at sea

From Mr P. R. Bingham

Sir, With reference to yachtsman Mr Paul Rodgers's unfortunate experionce Hetters, September 8) of being ignored by a total of ten ships while on a single-handed Atlantic passage having made the appro-priate international code signal ZD2 "Please report me to Lloyd's London", I regret that I am unable to agree with his remarks that the service should be discontinued if it cannot be made to work.

The view of many yachtsmen, including those organizing long-distance races, is that it is much better to have the existence of a signal which may bring forth reassuring news to relatives than not at all. I would suggest that the majority of yachtsmen look upon this service as an added bonus and would not wish to give the impression to those at home that a report will definitely be received.

Over a number of years I loud's Over a number of years Lloyd's Intelligence Department has provided cheering news to many rela-tives and friends of lone yachtsmen and as Mr Rodgers chooses to men-tion Clare Francis in his letter, I tion Clare Francis in his letter, I would quote from her book Gullivers Travels in which she says, "I was able to hold out the canvas until the message was clear 'Please Report Me to Lloyd's London'. The ship Pica tooted her horn twice, she'd seen my message, I could have danced with delight, this was the hest halfway present ever." Pica duly reported its sighting to us, and in turn we were able to pass on the in turn we were able to pass on the news to Miss Francis's parents. Yours faithfully,

P. R. BINGHAM, Manager, Lloyd's Intelligence Department, Lloyd's of London Press Ltd, Sheepen Place, Colchester,

From Mr John Potter Sir, The reason why Mr Paul Rodger's yacht was not reported (Letters, September 8) can be simply pur down to the lack of a lookout. About three days out from Paramaribo, bound for Punta Delgada, Azores, and ultimately Amsterdam, aboard a very well-run Dutch freighter with passenger accommodation, I was in the wheelhouse whilst the Indonesian officer in charge was working in the chartroom and I suddenly (as curiously enough often happens at sea) saw a yacht with white sails. Since we had seen nothing but one flying fish since we left the mouth of the Surinam River I rushed to tell the news to the officer. We had been on automatic pilot and he promptly came to the wheel. I asked him what would have happened if the yacht had been dead ahead: his answer? "It would have been too bad for the yachtsman". One can but hope it will not happen to that

gallant lady, Clare Francis. Perhaps the good old-fashioned habit of stationing a look-out forward should be brought back. well be, in the words of your correspondent Clifford Jeans (September 15) "a danger to navigation, the curse of the seafaring profession, and a damn nuisance to the rescue services" but surely Sir Francis Chichester and Sir Alfred Rose achieved something for the country's morale, and would Mr Jeans be happy to drown Clare Francis? Yours faithfully, IOHN POTTER 28 Derek Avenue,

#### From Mr Richard Taylor

Sir, Keith Bridgeman's problem (September 15) of getting no answer over the International Distress Frequency, after his yachr was dis-masted in the Atlantic this summer, could have been avoided.

If he had made use of the Aero-

nautical Emergency Frequency in the VHF waveband, he would have received an immediate response from any high flying aeroplane within the 200-mile range of this frequency. The Atlantic air routes are very busy these days, with all civil and military crews maintaining a listening watch at all times over a listening watch at all times over the ocean. Any call for assistance usually gets an immediate response from several aeroplanes. Yours faithfully. RICHARD TAYLOR, 45 Martio's Lane, Dorchester,

#### South African theory From Lord Goodman

Sir, In his current volume of autobiography, Mr Cyril Smith makes certain references to the theory that rumours about my friend Mr Jeremy Thorpe had an origin in unofficial South African activities. In that context, he mentions: me as one of Mr Thorpe's advisers, which might convey-I am sure unintended-an impression that I had some responsibility for this theory. Since I have just returned from a visit to South Africa to give "an Academic Free-dom Lecture" at the University of Cape Town. I should be grateful if you could indulge me with a small quantity of space to make it clear that I have never at any time seen or heard any evidence to justify the South African theory; nor have I ever been asked to express any view on the matter; and that my own opinion would be one of healthy scepticism until convincing evidence is produced. But the simple point I wish to make is that I know nothing whatever about the matter. Yours faithfully, GOODMAN.

#### 4 Little Essex Street, Strand, WC2. September 15.

W. W. WILLIAMS

Am Bogha,

Appin, Argyll.

Energy from the Severn From Mr W. W. Williams Sir. Would it be beyond the wit of our politicians to finance a Severn barrage scheme (long term benefits) from the bonanza of the short lived North Sea oil harvest? Yours,

#### Ensuring an adequate minimum wage they cannot be viewed as fulfilling

Sir, In Wednesday's leader (Soptember 14) you drew attention to what The Times believed to be the threat to a free society over the way the trade unions have recently developed. Your leader today (Scotember 15) however, unknowingly illustrated what is principally a more important threat

to a free society.

Under "The right priorities for weifare" you comment on the Supplementary Beacht Commission's recently published annual report. The Commission says that the first priority must be to raise the incomes of low paid families and outlines three ways of achieving this goal. One is to have a more effective enforcement of the regulations already extent for minimum wages, an approach which you go on to say is certainly mis-conceived as it is likely to throw still more people out of a job at a time of high unemployment.

This short statement laws bare The Times view about how society should be ordered, for what you really saying is that moral prit ciples about how society should be ordered must be subjected to neo-classical economic nations of how the economy works. Opposed to this position are those who believe that moral principles about how society should be governed must take precedence over economic

theories.

Exactly 70 years ago the Church

and to argue that "The fundabegan to argue that "The funda-mental Christian principle of the remuneration of labour is that the first charge upon any industry must he the proper maintenance of the labourer". The Church went on to add, wisely, that it had to "also teach the moral responsibility of the consumer; that is that no Christian has the right to demand commodities at a price which he knows . . . to be incompatible with adequate remuneration of the worker and proper conditions of industry

Many people argue that the minimum rates of pay laid down by wages councils are so low that

Rhodesia Sir, Many of us who live here, view with wonder the inability of HMG to deal with the sickness in Ulster, whilst at the same time giving us a prescription for our present ills. The situation in Ulster is a tribal war, with participants all whites. Here, there is a struggle for power, and a war being fought with blacks and whites against blacks. It is not, as in South Africa, a matter of whites against blacks. Far from it. Nobody responsible has yet suggested that all British troops be withdrawn from Ulster, and that the police force there be disbanded. Nor is there an expectation that if IRA and the Provos would be happy to join a new "model army" alongside those who they had previously regarded as enemies. Yet this is more or less the pill that we are being asked to swallow, and the prognosis of our future health if we do so! Few intelligent people would underestimate the deep roots of the present troubles in Ulster: nor should they underestimate the even deeper roots of tribalism in Africa. I have served from the time of my

minimum rates as low as this came to as much as £10m last year.

The Unit does not believe that an adequate minimum wage by itself will solve the bundle of poverty problems to which the SBC addressed itself in its annual report.

that the Unit does assert however. that a decent minimum wage even in times of record post-war unem-ployment should be the first charge on industry. Sadly this is a position on industry, Sadly this is a position which The Times has long since deserted for its infatuation with the laws of the market.

The future of a free society in this country looks very doubtful indeed if morality is made subject to the country looks which is made subject to the country looks.

fashionable economic theories while those who are in a position of privilege forget the duties imposed upon them by the exercise of such privilege. To ensure an adequate minimum wage for everybody in work used to be also the concern of those who drew disproportion-ately on the fruits of industry. Each day this becomes less true and presents a very real danger to our present institutions. Yours faithfully, FRANK FIELD,

Low Pay Unit, 9 Poland Street, W.1. September 15.

#### Proposals for Rhodesia

From the Dean of Salisbury, Ordination twenty years ago, almost entirely in Africa, West, South, and now in Central Africa, and mainly amongst black people. I

of tribal loyalties being deeply rooted.

Forgive me if I seem to be sceptical, but it would appear that if an emergent rule after a coup d'etat is black, then the new government will be recognised, no matter how it came to power. Nor does it seem to make much difference how it governs after it has come to power, for there has not been a howl of protest about Uganda. One or two grunts, perhaps, but little more. Yet here, where whites viewed the possible slide downhill along with the rest of "free" Africa with misgivings, the situation is vastly different.

I do not deny that Mr Smith has been tardy in bringing about reforms which could have been signs of good faith to the world. and which would not have amazed people of goodwill here. But the present situation of Britain, up to its eyes in debt to the rest of the world, assuring us that we shall be "floated" economically once the bas been swallowed, seems laughable! Is there not a sickness in Whitehall which needs curing by Dr Owen before he gives us a scrip for our local consumption?

Yours faithfully, JOHN R. DA COSTA, The Cathedral Church of St Mary and All Saints in Salisbury, PO Box 981.

Salisbury, Rhodesia. September 10.

Science now takes a direct hand

#### Pay at music colleges From Sir Lennox Berkeley and

others

know what I speak about, in talking

Sir. We wish to draw your attention the plight of the professors at the leading music colleges of London. For years they have in effect, subsidized the work of the colleges by accepting low pay and poor terms of service. They are employed virtually on a casual basis, and are paid by the hour, just for actual teaching, with no system of incre-ment, no pay for holidays, and in most cases no pay for sickness. They have no guarantee of employ-ment and often know only at the start of the academic year how many pupils they will have and what their income will be.

actual rates of pay put them at the bottom of the teaching profession: just consider that these distinguished musicians are paid less per hour than many of their own students get for their teaching for schools and local authorities.

The State has for some time accepted that ir must share in the financing of such colleges, and the Department of Education and

in the financial control of the Royal Academy, the Royal College, and Trinity College of Music. However, the teaching staffs at these colleges and at the Guildhall School of Music still endure rates of pay and conditions of service that long ago would have been regarded with astonishment and derision in any other profession. In many ways London can regard itself as the musical capital of the world, and we can rightly pride ourselves on our achievements, but the situation in the music colleges of London threatens the very basis of our profession. It is a shame to a civilized community that it has been tolerated for so long. It is time to Yours faithfully,

LENNOX BERKELEY, CLIFFORD CURZON, COLIN DAVIS,
COLIN DAVIS,
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ANDRE PREVIN,
LOUIS BETTOHA DE JOHN PRITCHARD, EDMUND RUBBRA, MICHAEL TIPPETT.

#### Supporting Germany From Mr Alastair Horne

Sir, Your distinguished and compassionate sionate leader, "Germany Examines Herself" (September 12), ends with fears that West Germany may find herself isolated as a result whatever actions she may, or may not, adopt in reaction to the Schleyer kidnapping. You say "If there is one thing West Germany needs just now it is a little bit of help from its friends."

In all the 25 years that I have been concerned in and about, Anglo-German relations I cannot remember a time in this country when there seems to be more widespread and genuine sympathy for the Germans in their predicament over this particularly brutal attack on the Rechtstaat. Take, for example, a leader in today's Daily Express (which, not so many years ago, was incapable of hearing the word "German" without-like without-like Uncle Matthew-reaching for its.

entrenching tool):
...we all owe it the decent. humane men who have ruled that country for the past three decades to judge her for what she is now." Quite so. And this is surely where West Germany's "triends" could help her in practical terms now. Is there not now a stronger case than ever before for the film makers and "media" (always the worst offenders) to cease that con-

stant outpouring of cowboys-and-

Indians wartime films, with their booted Gestapo villians, risible "Cherman" accents, and the ever present horror undertones of the concentration camp about which you had lengthy correspondence some months ago?

What may doubtless continue to be good commercially, alas, is not good for the future; bears no relevance to this Germany of the past three decades; and is certainly in no way helpful in West Germany's current struggle against the evil Baader-Meinhoff, And this is a struggle with the utmost significance for the rest of Western Europe.

I am, Yours, etc, ALISTAIR HORNE. Garrick Club, WC2.

#### Enigma Variations

From Mrs Dorothy R. Wagner Sir, Mr Peter Jackson's letter (September 14) reminds me that before the War I heard a record of Galli Curci singing Wav Down upon the Swanee River accompanied on the cello by, I think, Suggia playing Dvorak's Humoresque. It sounded very pleasant. Yours faithfully,

DOROTHY R. WAGNER, Bethel Orchard, Ashampstead, Reading.

#### Saving an Italian landscape

From Lord Kennet, and others Sir. The coast near Rome is spoiled; for a hundred miles or more you pay for admission and queue for a hut. But the Lake of Bracciano and the Tolfa Hills beyond it are as lovely and unspoiled as our own Lake District. They are of untold archaeological wealth, and are only 25 miles from the centre of Rome. We write as concerned Europeans about the future of this

arcadian landscape.

Ten years ago there was a plan
to industrialise the shores of the Lake; five years ago a plan to use it as a settling pond for the polluted Tiber water. Roman good sense has prevailed against both these threats, as we cannot doubt it will prevail against the present one : we understand that the German College of Rome has sold Vicarello to

developers.
Vicarelio-Vicus Aurelius-a lakeside hill with pines and a great seventeenth century building above olive groves and reeds, is perhaps the finest bit of natural Claude still surviving. Yet a plan exists, reputedly drawn up by a Milanese architect for "interests" in Liechtenstein, to obliterate it under a mass of tourist apartments, hotels, roads, parking lots, yacht basins and even, (beside the huge, clear lake) swimming pools.

Vienna has its Wood; Paris its Fontainebleau; Brussels its Soignes; Bonn its Siebengebirge; even London its Epping. More fortunate than any of these, Rome has its miraculous Bracciano-Tolfa. It is dangerous to meet threats piece-meal. May we endorse the suggestion, which has hung fire for several years now, of a European Conference on the Protection of Recreational Landscape near Large Cities? Experience could be shared, and the merits, if any, of quick uncontrolled development compared

with those of careful and controlled.

Perhaps the Council of Europe could take a lead? Yours faithfully, WAYLAND KENNET, JOHN BETJEMAN, JENNIFER JENKINS, DAVID PEARS, SILVIA RODGERS, PETER SCOTE PETER SCOTT. MICHAEL SHANKS, J. P. STERN, BERNARD WILLIAMS, 100 Bayswater Road, W2, September 13.

#### Easing the tax burden From Sir Derek Bara

Sir, There are many signs now that Britain's economic prospects, in world terms, are on the upturn. But a number of major domestic issues remain. These are the need to contain inflation: the need to reduce the high level of unerunlovment; and the need to get industrial production moving.

These are problems which, if dealt tradictory remedies. There is, however, one measure

which could help to alleviate all these problems. That is a major reduction in direct taxation. It would not be price inflationary. which would be the case if there was a wages explosion. It would be an incentive to greater effort. It would stimulate demand, and thus production and employment. Now that the sun is shining a little more brightly, a substantial

move to reduce the massive burden of direct taxes would push us one step further towards prosperity. Yours faithfully, DEREK EZRA

hairman of Council. British Institute of Management, Management House, Parker Street, WC2. September 15.

#### TV coverage of golf

From Mr P. B. Lucas Sir, Four years ago, in the after-math of the last Ryder Cup match in this country, the late Duke of Norfolk wrote to you criticizing ITV's coverage of the series with an asperity which fairly took our breath away.

In truth, the coverage then wasn't particularly good. I suspect, however, that His Grace was moved more by the principle of ITV setting the match instead of BEC, than by the details which caught the sharp end of his nec. sharp end of his pen.

But time has moved on. Let us, then, give credit where it is manifestly due. If ITV's coverage last

time was poor, ir surely made amends at Lytham last week. The rugged British and Irish counterattack on Saturday afternoon (which really ought to have pur some stuffing back into the faint hearts who go on moaning about the state of British professional golf) could hardly have been given better television treatment.

For BBC and ITV, between them to have been able to bring to millions in a single season, the unforgettable Watson-Nicklaus duel at Turnberry, and then this splendid counter-thrust at Lytham last Saturexemplary conduct and good man-ners of Watson and Nicklaus in defeat), leaves golf with an incon-

trovertible gain. It is worth pausing for a moment now to think about the effect which such marvellous television will have upon the next generation of British Yours faithfully,

P. B. LUCAS, 38 Onslow Square, SW7. September 18.

#### Eating haggis

From Miss Heather Harvey Sir, Whose leg does Mr Tom Baistow (September 16) think he's pulling? Has he ever tried to slice a haggis? (It would be as easy to slice a bran pie or a sandbag.) As for frying it for breakfast, the only charitable conclusion—if the leg-pull explanation is not correct—is that the ignorant man is confounding

white pudding with haggis. Yours faithfully, HEATHER HARVEY 15 Pelham Place, SW7.

September 16.

from mystical experience, the

temptation to give up the

"is not a form of prayer with

which I am very familiar, I must confess. There is another kind of prayer which is, I think,

the prayer of many of us. It does not follow from any

method, because method does

not help. There is no awareness

"Now, that is a state on

which most of us can talk fairly eloquently. It is the

prayer of incompetence. Images or ideas seem to be obstacles,

and yet when we abandon these we find we still have no aware-ness of God."

That can go on for years. It may last a whole lifetime. "And in my opinion it is a mistake

to expect in prayer a response from God. Often God's response

in opportunities presented to us day by day. But he speaks to

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#### COURT CIRCULAR

CALMORAL CASTLE September 18 : Divine Service was neid in Crathie Parish Church this

The sermon was preached by the Reverend Robert Gray.

Mrs Robina Wilson had the honour of being received by The

Queen when Her Majesty decorated her with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver). The Queen was represented by Air Chief Marshal Sir Neville Air Chief Marshal Sir Newhe Stack (Air Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty) at the Special Service in commemoration of the Bartle of Britain which was held in West-minster Abbey today. CLARENCE HOUSE

September 17: The Hon Mrs John Mulholland has succeeded the Lady Jean Rankin as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE
Seprember 17: The Duke of
Gloucester was present at the
Luton Silver Jubilee Pageant in
aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee
Appeal which was held at Vauxhall Motors Sports Ground, Luton.
Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

was in attendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE September 17: Princess Alexandra, with the Hon Angus Ogilyy, this morning opened the Lanca-shire Social Services Day Centre for the Handicapped at Whitegate

Drive, Blackpool.
Her Royal Highness and the Hon Angus Ogilty were present this alternoon at Royal Lytham and St Annes Golf Club where Princess Alexandra presented the

Ryder Cup.

In the evening, Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy attended the Ryder Cup Golden Jubilee Dinner at the Clifton Arms Hotel, Lytham St Annes.

Her Royal Highness and the Hon Angus Colley travelled in Hon Angus Ogilvy travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight. The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard

Lieutenant-Colonel Patrick Miller nuch regrets that he was unavoidy prevented from attending the morial service for his aunt, Mrs Richard Cavendish, held in Lon-don on September 17.

A memorial service for Ronald Stuart Symons will be held at All Hallows by the Tower at 5 pm on Tuesday, October 4.

Birthdays today

Sir Philip Dingle, 71; Mr William Golding, 66; the Right Rev Dr H. R. Gough, 72; Sir Robert Howe, 84; Professor Wilson Knight, 80; Dr H. J. Plenderleith, 79; Lord St Oswald,

Important silver

The two Kingston tureens, which

have been described as the most important pieces of French silver

ever made, are to be auctioned

by Christic's on November 8, They

will be sold at the Hotel Rich-

mond. Geneva, and a 40-page cata-

The tureens, together with a

grand surfout de table, or centre-plece, were commissioned between 1734 and 1736 by the second Duke of Kingston from Juste Aurèle Meissonnier, the leading designer of the rococo style.

One of the tureens is illustrated in reverse in Meissonnier's Octures, published between 1742 and 1747, and together with their stands and covers they weigh a total of 1,211oz. They are profusely decorated with fruit, yegewhites berts and same and father berts and same and for the profusely decorated with fruit, yegewhites berts and same and for the profusely decorated with fruit, yegewhites berts and same and for the profusely decorated with fruit, yegewhites berts and same and the profusely decorated with fruit yegewhites berts and same and the profusely decorated with fruit yegewhites the period of the profusely decorated with the profusely de

tables, herbs and game, and are a fine example of the way Meis-sonnier was said to have bunished

symmetry from his designs. Christic's expect them to make about £500,000.

Mr Jek Yenn Thong, Singapore's micister for culture, science and rechnology, has been appointed High Commissioner for Singapore in London. Mr Jek, who was demined by the colonial administration in the 1930s for promunist activities, will replace Mr Yong Nyuk Lin.

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## Wisdom of the monk who became a cardinal

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs

The British public still seems to be fascinated by Cardinal Hume 18 months after he emerged from the relative obscurity of his mobastery in Yorkshire to take Cardinal Heenan's place on the national

That is an doubt because he appears so different from every-body else on that stage; and that, in turn, is no doubt be-He represents a different set of values; he has come from a different world

The Benedictine Order, until the Reformation, was one of the central pillars of national life and is therefore still part of everyone's heritage. The people who supplied the aglish with Westminster

English with Westminster Abbey and Canterbury Cathe-dral cannot be dismissed as foreigners, though some people might be tempted to dismiss their twentieth-century descendants as medieval obscuran-tists. Or rather, they might have been tempted to before the Abbot of Ampleforth found himself made Archbishop of Westminster. Whatever he is,

he is not obscure.

As abbot of a Benedictine monestery he had personal oversight of his band of monks and it fell to him to speak to them once a week and some-times more often about the life they lived together. A collection of those addresses tion of those addresses is published today; they give an extraordinary insight into what being a monk is all about, and

#### Forthcoming . marriages

Mr G. Catchpole and Miss H. Gallagher and Miss M. Gallagner
The engagement is announced between Giles, son of Mr and Mrs W. M. Catchpole, 78 Stanbope Mews Bast, London, SW7, and Hellyn, daughter of the late Mr Manhew Gallagher and of Mrs Gallagher, Hollywood Rath House, Mulhuddart, co Dublin.

Mr. B. D. Clifford and Miss L. M. Stearns The engagement is announced between Brian, only son of Mrs D. S. Clifford, of Hove, Sussex, and Linda Mary, only daughter of Mrs M. Stearns, of Biddenden, Kent, and the lete William Stanley

Mr J. A. C. Don and Miss E. A. Middleton,

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Lieutenant-Colonel P. A. C. Don, DSO, and Mrs Don, of Axmens Ford, Basingstoke, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. F. Middleton, of Bauchart, Blairs, Aberdeen.

Mr M. C. J. Kidby and Miss S. Kay £50,000 whener
The weekly £50,000 Premium Savings Bond prize, announced on Saturday, was won by 1. WB 559503. The winner lives in Carding.

Carding.

The engagement is announced between Malcolm Charles, only soo of Mr and Mrs C. R. B. Kirby.

Reading, Berkshire, and Suzame, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Kay, also of Reading, Berkshire.

The engagement is automored between Michael William, elder son of Mr and Mrs Frank Spinney, of Berkhamsted, and daneitter of Mr and Mrs

#### equally Carolinal Hume is all about.

All but one were delivered when he could have had little notion of what was coming for him personally, or even that his words would one day reach a wider public. They could not be called

sermons; some of them are little more than chats. But all of them are practical and down to earth, concerned sor with abstract sheories but with daily difficulties. Some of them verge on the band, and some concern the forgotten kinle drames of community life.

When something went wrong in 1973 he said he was sorry. "I take the responsibility for those changes, and deeply apologize to the community for them and for the manner in which I presented them to you. But I do not like other people to receive the blame for things which I have done myself.

which I have done mysen.

I apologize without embarrassment, for it is a good thing for superiors to make mistakes from time to time—and one in which this superior is well versed. A constant theme, in fact, is to remind the months that he is one of the monks that he is one of them, weak like them—else-where he likens the monastery to a hospital in which even the matron is sick.

The abbot and his monks were the apportant his monks were experiencing together all the cribulations of family life, but with the advantage that their particular family had been facility to the control of the contro facing much the same problems for about 1,500 years. That mean there was a good deal

The marriage took place on Satur-cay at the Church of St Peter and

day at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Weobley, Hareford and Worcester, between the Hon John Edward Vaughan, younger son of the Earl and Countess of Lisburne, of 22 York House, Kensington Church Street, London, W8, and Miss Catharine Euphan Waterer, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. P. Waterer, of Hyard Sarnesfield, Norton Canon, Hereford and Worcester. The Rev H. C. Sell and Father Peter Blake, SJ, officialed.

cialed. The bride, who was given in

marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Sarah St Aubyn, Miss Sarah Finnis and Miss Lavinia McArthur. The Hon Michael Vanghan was best man.

The marriage took place quietly on Saturday, September 17, between Mr Michael Preston and Miss Diana Faith.

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 17, at St Edmund's Church, Beckenham, between Mr Martin Anthony Tolhurst and Miss

Lieut-Col A. G. Townsend-Rose and Mrs B. Swift

The marriage took place at Swallowfield on September 16, between Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Townsend-Rose and Mrs

The Michaelmas Term begins today. The school captain is J. A. Hutchinson. Captain of rugby is P. A. Dunn. Half-term will be from October 29 to November 1. The Christmas concert will be on Sunday, December 11. Term ends on December 12.

Mr M. Preston

and Miss D. Faith

Mr M. A. Tolhurst and Miss S. M. Moore

Susan Margaret Moore.

Brenda Swift.

Marriages ...

The Hon John Vaughan and Miss C. E. Waterer

into wher being of family wisdom to fall back area often muddled and diffi-nume is all about. on, right back to the pages of cult but which, as he remarks, the Rule of St Benedict; yet it is of great incerest to ordinary is all recognizably relevant, a people. People try to pray but mature kind of common sense, find that nothing seems to hapfor people in quite different pen. Feeling a million miles for people in quite different

situations. On true humility (" a fundamental virtue, and painful to struggle affects even modes. acquire Cardinal Hume Awareness of God, tre says, Cardinal Hume acquire ") acquire ") Cardinal hume remarks that everybody loves a humble man. "I have often reflected", he says, "that if I have a duty to love my neighbour, I have a duty to make mysek lovelle in proportion as am humble.
"I have another thought,

too: why is it that one likes rogues? I think it is because rogues ? I think it is because rogues cannot be proud, and so there is something likable about them. Nobody dislikes a genuinely humble person, and we have a duty to be lovable. therefore a duty to be humble."
He does not duck the question of celibacy, at the heart of which is always pain, he says, but a pain not to be grudged. He told the community that he personally found celibacy hard

personally found celibacy hard to justify though the justification was there to be found.
"We come, slowly perhaps, to glimpse the point."

Celibacy should make them more human, not less; more loving and more lovable. But be adds: "It is not right to allow other people to fall in love with us . . . If we are silly, and vanity is the danger here, we can cause pain and hurt. we can cause pain and hurt, and that is wrong."
The rock on which all that

is founded is prayer, and there the common sense approach comes right into its own in an

ONORARY DENTAL SURGEON TO QUEEN: COLE. J. Bowen apple Appointments in the THE QUEEN: Cal E. J. Bowen apple. Puly A. BRIGADERES: A. T. Cook to be Distained Army Medicing & Consultant Physician to the Army, Sept. 20.

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#### Christenings

The infant daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Mariborough was christened Alexandra Elizabeth Mary at St Mary's Church, Charlbury, on September 17 by Canon H. Pirth, assisted by the Rev J. E. James: The godparents are Lord Charles Churchill (for whom Lady Charles Churchill stood proxy) the Hon David Montagu, Countess Philip Douglas and Mrs George Livanos.

The Army
HONORARY SURGEON TO THE
QUEEN: Brig J. Lapper apptd Aug 1.

Francis by Father at the Church of Ghost, Exmouth, y, September 17. Saturday, September 1 godparents are Mr Gordon (for whom Brigadier Fernyhough stood proxy) and Miss Catherine Hersom.

#### Dinner

Sirdar Aly Aziz entertained at dinner last night a visiting dele-gation from Mexico led by Sedor Ruben Urbina Pena, Deputy Minister of Fisheries.

#### Service dinner

Central Volunteer Headquarters Royal Artillery
The Commanding Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel G. Al. G. Arkins, R.A.
and officers of the Central Volumiter Headquarters, Royal Artillery,
held their annual ladies dinner
night at the RA Mess, Woolwich,
on Saturday. The principal guests
were Major-General and Mrs P.
C. Shapland and Brigadier and Mrs
K. C. Bromby. A presentation was sent and the control of the control R. C. Bromby. A presentation was made to Lieutenant-Colonel G. M. L. Atkins, RA, on his relinquishing the command of CVHQ RA.

#### Thanksgiving service

Battle of Britain

Battle of Britain
The Queen was represented by Air
Chief Marshall Sir Neville Stack
at a Battle of Britain thanksgiving
service held yesterday in Westmisster Abbey. The Prime
Minister was represented by Mr
Mulley, Secretary of State for
Defence, and the Leader of the
Opposition by Mr Winston Churchill, MP. The Dean of Westminister, the Very Rev Dr Edward
Carpenter, officiated and the
Bishop of Blackburn gave an
address. The lessons were read
by Canon Trevor Beeson and Air
Chief Marshal Sir Michael
Beetham, Chief of the Air Staff.

Latest wills

Latesi estares include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed): Elton, Lady of Adderbary, Oxon, widow of the first Baron Elton Petkins, Mr Henry Fraser, Ascott-under-Wychwood, Oxon

Strangman, Mr James Gonville, of Ilminster, Somerset ... £143,722 Whitelock, Mrs Edith Emma, of Wetherby ... £105,717

#### Science report

## Oceanography: Melting the Antarctic

Derby Cathedral festival, Atarah's Band, 4.45 (for younger children and parents) and 7.30 (for families). Lunchtime music: St Michael, Cornhill. Jonathon Hagger, organ, 1. ccountants' Christian Fellowship service, St Peter, Cornhill, 1.5

The Duke of Edinburgh at the reins in the obstacle event of the National Carriage Driving

Walk: East End murders Jack the Ripper; meet Tower Hill station, 7-30. 25 years ago From The Times of Wednesday

Championships at Goodwood yesterday. He came second in his class.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh opens Mulr of Dinnet size silver jubilee national nature reserve, Aberdeenshire, 11.45.

Princess Alexandra attends silver

jubilee sala performance : Theatre Royal, Bristol, 7.13.

Vesta Tilley

Lady de Frece, who died yesterday at her London home at the age of \$8, was known and loved by a great and enthusiastic public of three generations as Vesta Tilley, the daintiest of male impersonators. Vesta Tilicy beimpersonators. Vesta. Tilicy belonged to the great days of the
London music hall, and the many
living playsoes can have seen her.
She was only three years younger
than Dan Leno and was actually
six years older than Manie Lloyd.
She was aiready a top of the bill
mame on the halls at the age of
15, when harie Lloyd was in the
nursery; but both of them were
at the height of their success in
about the same period.

The west Amarctic ice sheet covers about a fifth of Antarctica and is a kilometre or more thick in places. Much of it rests on rocks that are at present below sea level. The sheet could play an important role in affecting climate, and as far as we can tell its past behaviour has been somewhat extatic.

erratic.

In Nature two American scientists report calculations of how the sea lerels around the world would change if part of the ice sheet melted. Contrary to simple expectations, they say, the level would not vary in the same way everywhere, and the results of a sudden melting would have significant repercussions on sea level for thousands of years afterwards. Every year about 20 centimetres

of new ice is formed on the sheet from snowfall. In the same period the ice slides seawards by an average of about half a kilometre, and eventually melts in the sea. Studies of the history of the steet from cores of the ice suggest that the sheet has espanded and the treated, thickened and thinned fairly exastically in the past 50,000 years.

That accords with a proposal on That accords with a proposal on theoretical grounds that such an ice sheet is unstable and does not reach a steady balance between accumulation and melting. It is thought that thinning may have been taking place for the past 2,000 years. Dr. J. A. Clark, of the University of Colorado. Boulder, and Dr. C. S. Lingle, of the University of Maine, have been

trying to assess the effects of icesheer fluctuations on sea level.

The model they use is simple,
but one from which more complicard ones can easily be derived:
a metr of ice is uniformly melted
from the entire ice sheet in one
fell swoop. The water will distribute itself over the oceans very
quickly, but the sea will also have
taken on a new level. The removal
of a load of ice over the Antarctic
will cause an immediate small urwill cruse an immediate small up-lift of the ocean floor near the ice sheet in exactly the same way that the removal of a small weight from a spring causes the spring to rise a little.

The ice that no longer exists on the sheet will have exerted a small gravitational attraction on the neighbouring sea, causing a very slight piling up of the sea around Aniarite shores; the adjustment in this also has to be Detailed theoretical calculations.

Detailed theoretical calculations, done by computers, show that whereas the average increase in sea level would have been 0.69 cm and will indeed be fairly close to that in the northern hemisphere, at Cape Horn it will not change, and farther south, on the coast off the ice shelf, it will drop by about 0.3 cm.

A further puestone next takes place. Over the next takes place. Over the next tew thousand years the rocks deep beneath Antarctica sense that the load above has changed, and re-adjust slightly to average out the stresses. That involves some sort of flow of rocks, not yet well understood in detail, and as a

in the northern bemisphere, where see level stays settled at roughly 0.69 cm, but the nearer to Antarctica, the greater the magnitude of the effect, until ou the Amarctic coast the drop of 0.3 cm is steadily converted in 10,000 years into a rise of about 0.6 cm. All the calculations are reversible; if the sheet accumulated a metre of ice the chapers would all co of ice the changes would all go in the opposite direction. The subject is by no means purely academic, Sea level is rising in general around the globe, and the Antarctic is seen as a signifi-cant factor. Newlyn, in Cornwall, which has been used as a datum for the Ordonnee Survey for many years, has a sea level record that London, however, where public on notices now advise the public on wirse to do if flouding occurs, is

caught up to a much more com-plicated sintation in which the effect of the Thames and the range of tidex has also to be considered. By Nature-Times News Service. Source: Nature 259, 206-2 (September 15, 1977). Nature-Times News Service.

the international science ionrnal, is published weekly in London by Macmillan Journals

#### **OBITUARY**

#### SIR KEITH FEILING

#### Historian, biographer and teacher

Sir Keith Feiling, OBE. DLitt, MA, the historian and political writer. Chickele Professor of History in the University of Oxford from 1946 to 1950, and since that year Professor Emeritus, died on Priday at the age of 93. Keith Grahame Feiling was

born on September 7, 1884, the son of Ernest Feiling of Leatherhead, Surrey. His morber was a sister of Authony Hope (Sir Anthony Hope Hawkins) and a first cousin of Kenneth and a first cousin of Reinleth Grahame, the author of Dreum Days. The Golden Age and The Wind in the Willows. Feiling started his education at Mariborough, but at school his in-tellectural gifts and the distinc-tion of his mind were not fully recognized. He issued to gain a scholarship at Ballied, and was admitted as a Commoner there in 1903. Three years later he came into his own; he was elected to an honorary exhibition, took a brilliant first in the Final School of Modern History, and was elected to a fellowship at Ali Souls.

is outside prayer.

"God speaks to us through events, through other persons, A year latter he was appointed lecturer in history at the University of Toronto under Professor George ing in us a greater wanting for God; and this. I think, is one Professor Wrong, whence he returned in 1939 to Oxford, first as lecturer and then as student and until 1950. In that year he published his History of England, war of 1914-18 he was commissioned in the Black Watch and, siter serving with his battalion In 1960 he published in Churst at Jhansi and Dalhousie Church Hull, a series of biograthy 1916, became secretary phical studies of Christ Church to the Central Recruiting Wrong, whence he returned in of the characteristic fruits of the life of prayer; a greater desire for God, although our understanding of God is no greater now than it was, say, Searching for God (Hodder and Stoughton, £2.95). to the Central Recruiting Board of India from 1917 to 1919, when he retired with the

rank of captain. After the war Feiling returned to Christ Church and applied himself with entiusiasm and energy to the twin tasks (as he always regarded them) of teaching and research. He also took a leadresearch. He also most a leading part in politics in the university, and founded the Oxford University Conservative Association in 1924. He was chairman of the Board of Modern History desired. ern History during 1922-24, University Lecturer in Modern History from 1928 until 1936, and Ford's Lecturer in English History, 1931-32. Yet in spite of the heavy burden of teaching he contrived to write and publish a series of notable historical works during these years. Of these the most importrint were the History of Tory Party, 1640 to 1714, which appeared in 1974: British Foreign Policy, 1660-1672; Sketches in 19th century Biog-raphy (the latter consisting almost entirely of contribu-tions to The Times and The Times Literary Supplement), both published in 1930; and The Second Tory Party, 1714-1832, published in 1938, In 1936 he temporarily aban-doned his teaching, and was

elected to a research student-ship at Christ Church, with the primary object of completing the History of England which

take over the control of the Tory Party, 1640-1714—in history teaching at Christ which he showed himself to be

## Dame Leah Manning, who died on Thursday at the age

of 91 was a former President Teachers and also Labour MP the National Union for Epping after boundary changes to that division which ended Sir Winston Churchill's 21 years as its Conservative representative.
Leah Manning succeeded to

the highest office in the NUT in 1930 and had a brief spell as Labour MP for East. as Labour MP for East.
Islington in 1931, but was
defeated at the General
Election of that year and returned to Parliament only in 1945, having failed to win Sunderland in 1935. She had National Executive Committee

of the Labour Party. In the meantime she had pursued her career in the teachers' union. Her education had been at a Bridgwater school and at Homerton College, Cambridge, in which town she became headmistress of the Open Air School. From 1931 to 1942 she used her considerable ability as an organizer in the role of assistant secretary of the

Dr Ronald Frank Guymer, who died on September 15, quicely but effectively played a quictly but effectively played a leading role in the development of industrial health in the post-1945 years. For many years chief medical officer to Lloyds Bank, he was well-known, and appreciated in the City and banking circles, and was a Fellow of and much appreciated lectural in the Inappreciated lecturer in the in-stitute of Bankers.

A Cambridge graduate who took his clinical training at St. Thomas's Hospital, he in due course became lecturer in industrial diseases at his old hospital and at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, as well as the Royal Army Medical College, Millbank, This last appointment he particularly sourceded. particularly appreciated, hav-ing been a keen remisorial all his life, ending up as a colonel and being awarded the TD.

At different times he served on the World Health Organization international committee on joint medical services, the

Sam Doble, the former Mose-ley and England rugby full-back, died on September 18 after a long illness. He was 33. Doble made his international debut against South Africa in 1972, when he scored 14 points in an England victory at Ellis Park. He played against New Zealand and Wales in 1973.



Church once more. He contributed numerous articles and reviews to The Times. The Observer and English Historical Review. In 1941 he undertook, at the urgent request of the family, the task of writing the life of Neville Chamberlain, a task for which his fairness of mind, his historical training and his political sympathies admirably fitted him. In 1946 he was elected Chichele Professor of Modern phical studies of Christ Church men. He described the book as a collection of "brief unlearned essays" but every essay is marked by charm and distinction, and few books can have given more pleasure to Christ Church men. He had been knighted in 1958.

Feiling was fond of saving that he owed everything to Oxford, and this was in a sense true but the marked the debt in

true, but he repaid the debt in ample measure—through his neaching, his writing and his personni influence. In his early days he was hand capped by a stammer; this be practically overcome, but it is probably true disc be was always more successful in teaching his own purpiles than he was as a public lecturer. In private discussion the fineness of his mind, his mastery of his subject and the humaning of his views left an indefible impression on the minds of a generation of pupils. Few could make the study of history more anractive than he could, and few were beiner equipped to guide and assist beginners in that study. So far as Christ Church was concerned eminently successful in establishing among the modern historians a tradition of hard work and of success in the schools.

His writings are more diffi-cult to assess, for his was an almost too conscientious erudition and the allustveness of his style, especially in his earlier books, demanded considerable rupted, and in 1940 changes reader. Thus his first impor-due to the war induced him to more book—the History of the

#### DAME LEAH MANNING

post till she returned to Parliament in 1945. Both in the Commons and in the NUT Leah Manning became a familiar figure, one with a forceful character which made her both a formidable opponent and a person whose career gave many apprecia anecdotes. Her specialities were the education of young children, health of the schoolchild and recruitment and training of teachers, and from 1936 she gave much of her time to the cause of the Basque people, particularly their children who were found shelter in Britain. She had written, in 1933, a book, What I saw in Spain, and in 1970 she produced her auto-biographical A Life for Educa-

Always an individualist, Leah Manning's work was based on humanity rather than dogma, and she did not spare herself in championing the causes of equal treatment for the sexes and of making available information on birth control. She married in 1914 the late William Henry Manuing, of The Observatory, Cambridge, and in 1966 was made a Dame Com-mander of the Order of the NUT's education committee, 1966 was made a Dame Comuntil, in 1943, she became mander of the Order of the secretary of the union's organization committee, holding that and public services.

#### DR R. F. GUYMER

University of London public health engineering advisory committee, and the Inter-national Commission on Occupational Health, thus demonstrating not only his versatility and the scope of his wide interests in industrial health and marking health and medicine, but also the international reputation he had achieved in his special field. A gift for getting on with people, combined with an attractive personality, made him an ideal committee man, with a shrewd mind that could quickly pene-trate to the root of a problem. He is survived by his wife, Dr Lesley Bldstrup, whom he married in 1952 and who is equally well known in the field of industrial medicine.

A graduare of Glasgow, where he qualified in 1925, he specialized in pathology and spent the greater part of his professional life as group path-ologist to the Kingston Hospioriging to the samples anopa-cal group. A major interest, however, was medical politics, and a steady stream of pamph-lets and bookless culminating

a complete master of period and a singularly fairmirided commencator, spite of buildiant passages, a difficult book to read. When be directed himself to more modern periods has style became clearer and more incisive. But his chief countiburions to historical investedge less in the 17th and 18th cen-turies. His biography of Newl's Chambarlesn, which empeared in 1946, was criticized on the ground that it. was impossible to see Cham-berlein in mue historical perspective at that date, and maturally enough, the postered interpretation could not win universal arroyal. None the less Feiling's book was the work of an importial and judicious distorism who made good use of his unnuished sources. notably Chamber'sen's corre-

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diam covering the greater part Follow's one-volume History of England, on which he was engaged over a long period was the fruit of many years of teaching and of research. He simed at waiting a narrative mer of J. R. Green's Short History, but incorporating the work of historical writers and schellers since Green's dry. Operans will differ as to the degree to which he was successful but it cannot be denied there the book is a fine and comprehensive survey, and a finery manument to Feiling's rename of the Chichele Profes-

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ing sisters and the Notailed

social p.
In his Warren Hastings, pubhished in 1954, he forward a subhe produced a biography which was worthy of Warren. Hastings and of himself. Few moved so easily and surely among the mass of Hastings. peners or among the infrica cies of eighteenth-century lu-

den politics. As a colicague, Feiling was wholly admirely to one was coster to work with and or one, in spite of his great range of knowledge, less pretentious or more appreciative of the work of others. He was far from being purely a scholar and a writer; in his youth he had been a compensor player been a competent player games, and he always of games, and he alway of the country geocheman. This and commercials and a commera discussion various ever attempting to dominate or con-trol it. He had a distaste for the details of academic serior. The manufar administration, but his hide terms a third of a ments on general questions of the weers in composity or on personal matters had antillary oper were those of a cultured, well-informed and liberal-minded the a he Rover or composition who were those of a cultured.

man, who was in touch with shall 4,000 worker the world outside Oxford as well as within. He married in 1912 Carolina, William Janson and hed one son and William entry two daughters.

#### MR JEVAN BRANDON THOMAS HOW JOSS

the actor, dramarist and direct duming Staff tor, died on September 14, and & Co. the aged 79.

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the Lyceum, Edinburgh, and the Theatre Royal, Glasgow, and had a brief and less successful venture (1938) at the King's, Hammersmith, and Wimbledon.

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#### DR DAVID STARK MURRAY

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#### Air charter group to join fares battle

By Derek Harris Commercial Editor

Jetsave, which holds about 40 per cent of the advanced booking charter (ABC) market in the United Kingdom, is plannine to intensify the transation-uc air fares doglight next year with return tickets for as little as £100.

This compares with the Laker Skytrain London-New York re-turn cost of £139 and the scheduled airlines' stand-by fares of £149 for the same route. Mr keg Pycroft, Jetsave's

because it would fragment its
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Barbgate, West Lothian, will Mr keg Pycroft, Jetsave's chairman and managing director, who pioneered ABC flights and in five years has built an operation with an estimated turnover this year of £18m, claimed yesterday that the £100 fares—to Toronto as well as New York—were not just a marketing ploy? marketing plov "...

He said: "We have to decide the detail of the operation and this particular fare, of around £100, may be offered to those going on longer duration trips, But there will be many thousands of these fares on offer and there will be comparable reductions to other destina-

Mr Pycroft is planning the move for the season starting next April, even though he believes the present fares battle will not affect the charter sector of the market "to any significant degree ".

as a further 3.500 men go back But everything hangs on whether the Skytrain style walkon fares open up a new market of travellers, such as young Coventry is still at a standstill people, or take business away from the traditional ones, because of component shortincluding the ABC sector

Developing nations pressing for bigger financial backing to expand lending in 1980s

## World Bank faces critical talks on capital

take place in Washington during the next few months over the future role of the World Bank and the amount of money that it should have at its disposal to support the development effort in coming years.

Many of the Bank's top

officials now appear to want to take a stuge further the radical change that its lending policies ave been undergoing.
But, if a further sharp ex-

ansion in lending to the Third World is to be assured into the 1980s, a big increase in capital must be approved by the

The size of any such capital central issue at the joint annual meeting of the World Bank and its sister institution, the International Monetary Fund, to be held in Washington later this month.

The directors of the World Bank, representing its member countries, have given them-selves a deadline of June 30, 1978, to reach agreement on this issue. Many of the develop-ing countries are pressing for a rise of two-thirds or even more in the Bank's existing

However, the issue of a capital increase is inextricably tied up with the whole direction of the Eank's lending policies. As the World Eank says in its annual report published this morning, the often unpreceden-ted economic growth achieved many developing countries necessarily resulted in an improvement in the plight of their poorest people.

It cannot be assumed that the so-called "trickle down" process, by which the poorest people should benefit from growth, will automatically take place, the report says.

This discovery has increasingly led the Bank to focus its attention on more controver-sial projects to help the poorest rather than continue to concentrate on the kinds of projects that have guided its lending in past years.

But recommendations like that in its latest annual report for an acceleration of changes in Third World land tenure and social structures, which flow logically from the Bank's new policies, have not made the Bank universally popular among developing countries.

At the same time, its request that the rich countries provide it with a bigger financial back-ing is likely to meet resistance

rom some quarters. Like the IMF annual report. published earlier, the World Bank's report appears rather more optimistic about the inter-national economic scene than in the previous three years.

The report says that many of

the higher-income developing countries have surrived the upheavals of the mid-1970s reason-ably well, and their economic growth rates have been less affected by these events than the growth rates of the indus-trialized nations. However, the very poorest suffered worst of all. Only improved harvests in this latter group of countries has got them through the recession years of

The higher-income Third World nations which depend more heavily than the poorest trade, were acutely affected by the higher petroleum prices and the world-wide recession.

But most of these nations were able to borrow heavily in the international capital mar-kets and were able to make internal adjustments, adopting tougher fiscal, monetary and pricing policies, the World Bank

report says.

These necessary adjustments should help many developing countries—especially those already well advenced and growing rapidly—to face the years ahead with sound prospects for continued growth.

For the nearer countries

For the poorer countries, however especially those caught in the "downward spiral" of poverty, past adjustments and improved economic management are insufficient to meet the challenge of aleviating poverty. Therefore, high levels of aid from the rich nations will contique to be needed, the report

affiliates, the International Development Association, which lends on especially easy terms, and the International Finance Corporation, which invests private enterprises in the Third World, increased their leading

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## Striking imbalance in size of loans to poorer countries

The United States Congress rejected a report by its own leaders on Friday, which called for a new American conrribution to the International Development Association—the concessionary aid arm of the World Bank. The United States will, in time, make a large concessionary aid contribution, but its action highlights a major problem,

The very poorest countries in the world are increasingly finding that their plight is being ignored.

Surprisingly, the governments which most directly influence World Bank policies are even more interested in ensuring the dynamic economic growth of communist countries, such as Romania and Yugoslavia, than they are about the welfare of countries in such virtually hopeless condition as Bangladesh, Mali and Upper Volta.

Last year Bangladesh received loans

from the World Bank totalling \$122m (about £70m). This country has a population of more than 80 million and average annual income a head of about \$90.

India, whose population is only slightly better off, received \$750m from the World Bank, which is not as much as at first sight it may appear given its population of more than 600 million.

Yugoslavia, with a population one quarter that of Bangladesh and with average annual income a head 15 times that of Bangladesh, received World Bank loans totalling twice as much. Romania, with a population of similar size to Yugoslavia, and with average income a head some \$300 lower than that of Yugoslavia, received

one third more in World Bank loans than did Bangladesh. Western Africa has a population of

about 150 million and average annual income of about \$300 a head. World

year were just \$392m. South Korea alone, with its population of some 35 million and average income of about \$560 a head, received \$51m more in World Bank leans than did all of western Africa.

Countries like Brazil and Mexico,

which have obtained vast leans from private capital markets, have received far greater amounts of cash from the World Bank than have almost all other developing countries.

The hard truth is that countries with

the greatest access to private sources of external funds tend, with few exceptions, to be those developing countries best able to get very large loans from the World Bank. There are several main reasons for

this situation which deserve the utmostattention by finance ministers at next-week's World Bank annual meeting. The poorest countries get less cash

Bank loans to this whole region last than the more advanced developing countries because they cannot absorb as much; because they cannot afford to borrow as much; because they are much more dependent upon concessionary loans; and because they lack loans; and because they lack sufficiently skilled project supervisors and planners.

> Further, the poorest countries, it seems, do not have the political influence in the World Bank itself that the more advanced developing countries

> Finally, the bank itself has not done enough to promote special projects directed at the very poorest. For example, the total amount of bank lending for population and nutrition projects last year was less than the bank's lending for one polyester plant in Romania.

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## Autumn Budget to boost economy likely

By David Blake Economics Correspondent

Mr Healey, the Chancellor, sets off tomorrow for a round of international economic meetings, leaving behind him the growing belief that there will be a mini-Budget later this year designed to stimulate the economy.

Curs in taxation together with some increase in public spending, particularly that designed to provide jobs directly, seem likely to be introduced in an effort to increase growth and prevent the rise in unemployment which the Treasury is predicting on the basis of its economic forecasts.

The meetings, in Barbados and Washington, will provide Mr Healey with the opportunity to sound out other finance ministers and the staff of the International Monetary Fund about how any British measures to boost the economy fit into the international scene. the international scene.

A visiting IMF team is expected in November for another assessment of Britain's performance and to convert the "central estimates" of government borrowing and domestic credit expansion for next year-contained in the IMF Letter of Intent-into firm ceilings.

One possibility which may be drawn to the Chancellor's

further drawings on \$3,900m standby fac

It would also, in practice, remove the ability of the IMF staff to enforce a rigid observance of the details of the Intent for next year. But the likeliest outcome

would be for the Government to seek to introduce any new measures in agreement with the Treasury officials are unlikely to have any difficulty in fitting in new stimulatory measures with this year's conditions. Latest figures seem to suggest

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arranged last year merely keeping the 51,900m, or so already taken. This would free funds for the IMF, which is likely to need them badly in the next few years.

that Government borrowing will turn out to be less than the f8,500m predicted in July. This is in any case likely because the July forecast assumed that failure to reach a firm deal on pay with the unions would result in interest rates going up, whereas they have fallen. The problem becomes more difficult next year, but the Government has been aware for some time that it would have to find some way of evading the sumgency of next year's IMF

attention during his Washington conditions. This is because most meeting is that the United Kiogdom could refrain from any further drawings on the taken this year or in the spring Budget.

There has been an assumption for some time that action would be taken at one time or the other and either date will pose problems under the IMF conditions for 1978-79.

Exactly what form `any autumn measures would take is far from fixed. Income tax can be cut through increasing perallowances, which have already gone up twice this year, once as a result of the initial Budget measures and again in August as a result of the "Rooker-Wise amendment to the Finance Bill. Income tax cuts fit into the Government's strategy of shifting away from direct towards indirect taxation.

There is also the possibility that some new special employ-ment measures might be forthcoming. Concern about unem-ployment is thought to be one Government towards a stimulus, and special employment measures provide a cheap way of keeping unemployment down, at least in the short term.

There is also the possibility that some sectors of public spending which have been parspending which have been par-ticularly hard hit by cash limit-controls will be given a little

Just how much all this will add up to is still a long way from being decided. Even cautious outside commentators now suggest that the Government's borrowing will be £700m

below the IMF ceiling this

financial year. Since the spending programmes would run over only a few months of this financial year, their cost would not be great. Income tax concessions, on the other hand, would al-most certainly be backdated.

In the slightly longer term the most likely figure for the net fiscal stimulus by the spring seems to be something of the order of £2,000m or more. Any handouts by the Chancellor new would mean smaller concessions in April

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Although domestic demand seems likely to be the main stimulant of any recovery, the Government still wants other countries to boost their economies more to increase world trade. The Chancellor is likely to push this point in Washingning next week.

He may receive a rather encouraging response than

on previous occasions both more embarrassed than they were by their large pay-

Grand Central stake

Holdings has acquired from Mr Lerner and associates 574,000 ordinary shares-about 29.9 per cent of the equity—in Johnson and Barnes at 14 3/16p per share. Mr Lerner is retaining 290,700 shares (20.35 per cent) in the company with which he will remain as a director.

Reports that ICI and

Phillips Petroleum, are considering a £280m doubling of their joint refinery's capacity on Teesside were received coolly last night by ICI. There is speculation that the partners are considering the expansion to cope with the flow of crude oil from the Ninian field next year in which Port Sage, the United Arab Emirates' deep-water harbour, on completion of the first of its eight deep-water berths, its activities in Nigeria in new and harbour and harbour its activities in Nigeria in new and harbours. eight deep-water berths, its activities in Nigeria in new and hydrocarbons.

## moderating of pay claims

By Malcolm Brown Industrial leaders will reiterate their call for moderation in pay settlements at Wednesday's meeting of the grand council of the Confederation of British

CBI officials are hesitant about making too early a judgment on the trend in claims and settlements since the end of stage two, but believe that there are some hopeful preliminary signs. After the heady figure being floated in early Augus by some trade unionists there is by some trade unionists there is relief that for the moment at least claims are moderating.

Figures from the confederation's data bank, set up to monitor claims and settlements.

monitor claims and settlements, indicate that the bulk of claims since the beginning of August have been in the 15 to 30 per cant range. The majority of the 70 settlements so far recorded are regarded as being at a responsible level. Few breached the 12-month rule or exceeded the 10 per cent

It is expected that there will be discussion on Wednesday of the Government's sanctions against companies which appear to be breaching the guidelines laid down by Mr Healey. But while this is an emotive subject, while this is an enough smaller particularly among smaller companies, there is unlikely to be any immediate action by the CBL unless it appears that the Government is using its powers in blatantly unfair fashion.

The CEI has already expressed anxiety that the sauctions might be used against companies which breach the guidelines after protracted pressure from unions, and this would bring a swift reaction from the organization.

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CBI relief at | Energy study optimistic

Istanbul, Sept 18

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5 per cept pay rise in accordance with phase two. The meeting, at Liverpool Stadium, was attended by about 5,000 of the 7,000 labour force, and their decision lifted the threat of a port strike.

Mr Denis Kelly, chairman of the Mersey dock shop stewards, said: "The men decided to fall into line with other ports in the country, and this is the only sensible way. Had there been an unofficial strike, which was originally mooted. I am sure Liverpool

Liverpool was the last port to vote on the pay issue after the unofficial national dock shop. stewards' committee voted to withdraw the threat of strike Support for a nationwide strike collapsed when Southampron dockers rejected their shop stewards' advice to press

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Ras al-Khaimah, fourth in size of the seven emirates, will be. year after good results from its offshore exploration.

UK trade mission to the Yemen · A United Kingdom trade mission is to pay an 11-day visit

to the Yemen Arab Republic on October 29. Organized by the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry, it will coincide with discussions taking place in the Yemen on purchasing requirements for the next development plan. Direct trade with the Yemen is small-United Kingdom

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#### Projected trade surplus of £8.045m proves embarrassment to the Government

## Japanese fearful despite booming economy

Tokyo, Sept 18
A staggering trade surplus, a low rate of unemployment, moderate inflation, industrial harmony and an almost embarrassing excess of foreign exchange reserves.

Most industrialized nations might be content with this sort of booming eco-romy. But the Japanese, conditioned to years of magical growth, believe they are still in the midst of an economic

Almost every day the main Japanese newspapers remind their readers thatnation's economy is still in the Much space is devoted to doldrums. Much space is devoted to sombre headlines such as "The Bank" of Japan pessimistic over recovery The economy faces a thorny and dark

But in comparison to the problems of many industrialized nations in Europe, Japan's economy is healthy and booming.

Much to the embarrassment of the Government, projections suggest that Japan will achieve a staggering trade surplus of £8,045m at the end of the

In turn this surge in exports will £3,735m surplus on its current account next March-belying the Government's earlier pleas that Japan might suffer a deficit of £402m on its current

account this year. Japan's foreign exchange reserves

year-and the fund is expected to inease before the end of the year. Certified exports in August surpassed £4,000m for the third consecutive month, with sharp increases in the sales of cars, machinery and other

industrialized plants. At the same time workers in big car plants declared earlier this month that they will work during specified holidays to meet Japan's growing over-

seas orders.
Admittedly the increased value of the yen and rising costs accounted for part of the rise in Japan's export earnings this year, but equally so the new ange rate has not led to an appreciable expansion of imports.

After keeping their foreign critics at bay with the cry of recession, the Japanese can, in fact, draw comfort from other economic indicators. The introduction of a supplementary budget later this year is designed to provide the country with an annual growth rate of 6.7 per cent at the end of March and Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Prime Minister, has indicated growth will continue at a rate of 6 per. cent over the next four years.

At the same time current trends indicate that commodity prices will be

level which will appease trade unions and diminish dediands for higher wages next spring.

Japan's existing rate of unemployment—just under 2 per cent—is low

held to below 8 per cent this year-a

have already surged to £10,158m this when compared with the plight of the world's two other big economic powers, the United States (6.5 per cent) and West Germany (4.7 per cent)...

While the Japanese government is not confronted with a buge unemployment problem, officials argue that a level of 2 per cent is considered dangerously high in Japan.

A senior economic official said: "In reality we have a high rate of unem-ployment which undermines the economy. In contrast to the West, Japanese firms do not lay off workers when they face a recession. In many areas the economy is suffering because industry is maintaining idle workers on the payroll while operating under caps city. This has led to widespread bankruptcies."

Without doubt many of Japan's important industries are in decline. While car producers and electronics prosper, textiles and the shipbuilding industry are suffering the pangs of a worldwide economic recession.

"It is a crisis. What happened to Lancashire is happening to us now", Mr Hiroshi Nishioka, the executive director of the Japan Spinner's Association, told journalists recently—as it became—apparent that industrialized nations have been undercut by low wages in the textile industries in Hongkong, Korea and Taipei.

Like Europe and the United States, Japan can complain of economic reces-

cannot plead poverty in shipbuilding. At present Japanese shipyards have three times as many orders as compet-tors in the West-mainly because of Japan's reputation for high productivity and low costs.

In lancer's mind domestic demand is shiggist. And yet dengrement store seres in July recorded a level of £1,100m in July an \$5 per cent increase over the same period last year. The sales of self-service supermarkers amounted to £870m, a rise of 30 per

Japan's pessionsm, coupled with an estemps to stave off the West's demands for a greater share of the country's soph sticated market, and an obsession over foreign exchange reserves, CAO perhaps be traced to a feeling of -and the immediate postwar days of poverty.

This lack of confidence is summed up in the words of Mr Takashi Hosomi, the adviser to the Industrial Bank of Japan, when he made an emotional plea to a gratieting of American scholars and diplomats recently: "If trade were completely cut off, the 110 million people of this group of small islands would perish in a very short period of time.

"Japan is probably the only major nation in the world for which this tragec prospect has a certain rouch of reality."

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Chinese oil

Washington, Sept 18 .- China

has embarked on a major off-

shore oil development and has

of reaching its production goal

of eight million barrels a day

by 1990, according to a study published by the Carnegie En-dowment for International

Peace, and written by Mr Selig

Harrison, an expert on Asian

Mr Harrison's study, based on

tral Intelligence Agency report

in June on China's oil potential.

But it agreed with United

States government estimates that China would need most of

its growing oil production dom-estically and was not likely to

become a major oil exporter,

except possibly to Japan. Mr Thomas Hughes, Carnegie

Endowment president and a former chief of the Stare Department's intelligence staff,

Department's intelligence start, said the Harrison report showed why China's growing offshore oil capability "could fore-shadow significant clashes of interest with neighbouring countries, affecting, in particular the future of Taiwan

In warning of possible trouble ahead among Asian

claims over the gas and oil resources off the China coast,

resources off the China coast, Mr Hughes said the Carnegie fact-finding centre "isn't necessarily predicting troubles". Mr Hughes said the Harrison report might help encourage negotiated settlements of boundary disputes between China and her

in the international political im-plications of China's oil poten-tial as in the information gathered over the past two years on technical matters.

The United States Govern-

ment, the report suggested, might take the position that Peking was the "only legitimate Chinese claimant to the continental shelf", thus sending what he called an important signal that its property of the continental shelf.

signal that it wanted to normal

He conceded that if this were done, it would be another

interim step toward the with-drawal of American recognition

"The search for bases of

compromise on offshore boundary issues between Peking and its neighbours is integrally related to the outcome of the controversy in the United States

over how and when to proceed with the recognition of Peking as the sole legitimate government of China and the with-

BP and Shell in

bid for search

rights in Brazil

Rio de Ianeiro, Sept 18.— Sixteen oil companies have submitted bids for risk con-tract rights to explore for oil on Brazil, the national state oil

an brazzi, the instructs state on company Petrobras has amounced. The companies include British Petroleom and Shell Exploration Services

Petrobres will now study the proposals to decide which ones will be alsowed to explore for oil in the 25 blocks in three

These are the Amazon River

Amazon filows into the Atlantic), the Samos basin (off

the industrial state of Sao

Paulo) and the Pelotos basin (off Brazil's southernmost

Petrobras has supplied the

companies with rechnical data on the 25 blocks up for bidding in these three areas. Each company paid \$250,000 (about £143,100) to take part in the

Brazil now imports about 80

per cent of the petroleum it needs. In 1975, this rapidly-

industrializing nation reversed a long-standing national oil policy which guaranteed a monopoly on oil exploration to Petrobras.

foreign oil companies to begin exploration for oil on a risk

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Supply and distribution of engineering graduates

From Mr Robert Taylor Sir, At the present time there appears to be some concern amongs: a mumber of groups for the current face and future uler departments. Just over prospects of the engineering half of the students entered profession. Recently the findings of the British Association's study were published and several months ago a government inquiry into engineering finally materialized.

British Association, The report, like others before it, directed its main policy recommendations to the supply of new engineers, with particular emphasis given to increasing the number of students undertaking to read engineering at

Within their frame of reference, I would suggest that this is indeed an area where most fruitful influence could be exercised over the supply of university and the bias shown against industry, I suggest this aspect of the supply process probably requires much less

In a questionnaire survey I conducted amongst the finalyear engineers at Imperial Col- taken within the enterprise. lege several months ago, neither in the jobs they had chosen nor in the attitudes they expressed was any strong

ing jobs, most of the others entering fields of engineering corresponding to their partic private sector industrial firms the majority of which were enterpris Tins does not indicate a bias against industry, for only about helf of all characted engineers are actually employed in private sector organizations. When asked about their preferred types of employers, stu-dents showed positive favour

towards private industry, with disaffection most strongly directed et public sector employment. Students from departments asked if, siven the choice be-tween working for a manufacturing or non-manufacturing enterprise, which they would prefer: 32 per cent preferred a manufacturing, 12 per cent a engineers, for, constrary to a manufacturing, 12 per cent a number of reports which have non-manufacturing enterprise, illuminated the proportionate and 56 per cent "didn't mind" "loss" of engineers on leaving or "didn't know", suggesting that obere was not a particu badly strong concern either way and that their choice of jobs depended less upon the type of employer them on other siderations, particularly the type of work personally under-

in several previous reports to consider only the sector of employment emered by new graduates without regard to the kinds of work they under-take or no the fact that. disaffection with industry in graduates was general or manufacturing in the kinds of particular to be found. Only 12 take or no

Misplaced fear that a stronger pound means a flood of imports

receding, and if the pound were to be allowed to appre-ciate sharply in response to Sir, In the current debate on exchange rate policy, there market forces, importers might seems to be an unwarranted assumption about the elasticity think twice about stockpiling in a falling market where inof demand for imported man flationary expectations were less strong than hitherto. The factures, and a misplaced fear that a strengthening in the deflationary effect of a strong nge rate automatically inpound on imports of feed, raw materials, and semi-manufac-tures could be dramatic as the volves a flood of imports.

The big rise in the volume goods evidenced by the recent reasury statistics occurred despite, and perhaps because of the drop in the external value of the pound. Importers tended to plan their purchases in the context of a continually rising market confident that stocks were better than cash especially with the ever-present threat of import con-

With the stronger balance of payments the threat of comprehensive import controls is Surrey, SM4 6JT.

Road system to blame? From Mr Andrew Warren Loudon's failure to invest in

printed an excellent article tem is surely deterring muchford to Bridgend". Three days later Mr Howard, the former planning chairman of the GLC, writes to bemoso the failure of London to autract this new £180m engine plant.

But in his catalogue of rea-ons, he omits to consider that

Sir, On September 12 you an equivalent modern road sys-. Why? Yours fainbludly

Stock Exchange has already sensed, while decisions con-

cerning purchases of manufac-

tured goods from abroad might

well be made more cautiously, particularly if the money sup-

ply is kept under control. Yours faithfully,

B. H. MARCUSON.

Managing Director, Greenbill & Elli

ANDREW WARREN. Secretary, Movement for Lon-London W1M 5RP.

per cent of the students engineers are now employed in expected to take non-engineer a wide variety of settings. While engineers empl the "mealth-producing" manufacturing sector may contribate most directly to the wellbeing of the national economy, I would suggest that engineers employed, for example, with the Post Office, the transport services, or on local government construction projects, play as equally important role in our society, albeit more in-

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The results from my survey are only suggestive, because imperial College engineering graduates are probably not typical of those from other Busish universities. Nevertheless, they indicate the possibility that the engineering pro-fession as a whole may feel less concern about the distribuing graduates than tas pre-viously been intonaced by perticular sectional viewpoints, mucularly if other British universities come up, to a greater rather than a lesserextent, to the example of im-perial College. It as concern over the magnitude of the sup-ply of engineers, as the British Association report suggests, that erguably may be more justified. Yours sincered

Industrial Sociology Unit, Imperial College of Science and Technology, 52/53 Prince's Gate,

Scope of the external audit

From Mr David H. Knight Sir, I am bemused by Mr Alan Grainge's naive view of the "standard audit" as described in his article of September 14. A modern externel audit, for one, must surely examine systems outside the parameters of the accounting system and would usually result in some form of "management letter" on observations made audit tests being designed on the strengths and efficiency of all systems used in the business. Second, it is an accompetent auditor who is "totally incapable of verifying stock," and a reckless auditor who would be willing, at the managing director's request to "fix" the stock figure to the business.

stock figure so the business broke even.
Third, the training of accountants is now ardious and wide-ranging. An auditor's independence is well recognized as imperative.
Such moves, sayway, to formalized reporting systems will probably

come, as suggested, from the legislature but, if at all, from the professional body. structive criticism enouse a men unwands

is so limited DAVID KNIGH 48a Primrose Hill Road

## Scottish method of house purchase

From Professor A. J. Eccles Sir, the correspondence defending the English house purchasing system continues to puzzle me. Mr Steele (September 9) calls comparisons vith the Scottish system absurd without adducing any evidence and then makes claims which show that he does not understand it. Not one of his reasons for delay is

Mr Moss (September 12) helpfully shows why both solictors and estate agents may be impelled to acquiese in gazumping under the English system. I am glad to see that he agrees with me that, on these matters, an English-man's word is not his bond and that the problem is not one of moral turpitude but of. the system design. I hope that his letter will influence Mr (September 9). However, Moss claims that it is cely ever feasible to exchange contracts there and

could have sold it in one day. Indeed, due to the messengers used for this purpose by solic-itors, ir would have been possible to accept the written con-tract offer within one hour of it being mooted on the day after the house first went on the marker—though this would have been unusually quick. But the contract is subject to our subsequently being able prove good title, there no plans or legislation would prejudi-cially affect the buyer's peace-able ownership and enjoyment and that the house remains standing in substantially its present condition.

Sir, I was gratified by the magnificent response my letter "Procedures for buying propsome subject spilled over into The Observer letter columns the following week.

Mr Graziani (August 2) mentioned the North American practice of a printed form of practice of a printed form of contract being presented to a prospective purchaser (subject, of course, to rice and searches). This seems to me a much more positive and sensible procedure than the usual word of mouth agreement, and his point should be considered over here seriously. over here seriously.

The correspondence bas. however, turned full circle with the publication of Mr. Moss's letter (September 12). It is simply not true that the

The buyer cannot withdraw without liability if these and other conditions are metneither can we His house will soon be on the market and will probably be sold as quickly. There is, in effect, no chain break down since his sale is a consequence nor a condition of purchasing our house. This fea-ture encourages boyers to be realistic about their assets and borrowings and to organize them before they become com-

mitted to a purchase. Contrast this present London experience where we agreed to buy 2 house three weeks before put-ting our Scottish home on the market. The official search still continues and contracts have yet to be exchanged although everyone is doing their energetic best under the handicaps of the English system. Meanwhile, petiter the seller nor ourselves have anything more than honour between us. Both parties are in a form of the prisoner's dilemma. Should be unt keep other buyers on the boil in case we withdraw? Should we not negotiate for other houses.

in case we are gazumped?
The Scouish system is unambiguous, secure, carrious and proventy effective. It dis-courages and virtually eliminates insecurity and casual camoching of agreements. The English system positively incites them with uncertainty, feor and greed feeding off each other—particularly in a sellers' market. It the Scottish system is poor then will some-one explain why its logic is an illusion and why Scots are wrong to regard the English system as weefully deficient and devoid of compensating.

mentioned in my original let-ter the two cases I had experienced of a vendor going back erty" (July 25) prompted in enced of a vendor going back your columns; incidentally the on his word within the space of one month. In fact it was these two disturbing episodes that prompted me to write in the first place.

Only today I heard the case of a young couple, about to be married, who had had an offer accepted, and the survey fees involved and obtained a morrgage, only to find the vendor or the last minute had changed his mind; imagine their dis-tress, I wouldn't be surprised if cases like this are not hap-pening up and down the country almost every week.

We all know what "subject to contract" means and how

yers, whereas the dishonour-able and mistrosoful English estone agents. I do not recog

Mr Best should study human behaviour where he will learn that people's actions are modi-fied by the logic of the situa-tion in which they find them-selves—whether is be due to setves—whether it be due to high rise filats, assembly lines, inflation, weather or laws, customs and procedures: Indeed, if this were not so, the legal procession would be superfluous. His suggestion that legal procedures have nothing to do with house buying babits is just excapism. Differences in behaviour cannot be explained away by the notion of persons. lity change as one crosses the Scottish border.

Scottish border.
Your correspondents would do well to look at Scotland carefully before they leap into print again, and I would be happy to arrange an itinerary for them. They seem unwilling to grasp that we are not discussing an interesting theory, but describing a more logical system which works well every day. Perhaps your next band of correspondents will face up correspondents will Yours sincer

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an excuse for a "change of mind" by either party, or in third more lucrative offer. The I am pleased that both lar

Best (August 1 and September 9) and Professor Eccles (September 2) found the time 19 put forward informative put forward informative and well-respond arguments and I hope that the British Lags Association will continue it good work to find a better solution for us all in this field and in doing so will bear it mind Mr Graziant's findings in their future discussions.

Yours Enthfully, RICHARD STOKER, 14 Primers Court

## Target set in Tokyo Round talks

From Alan McGregor Geneva, Sept 18 America and the European Community are agreed that a clear bineprint must be on the table within four months in long-drawn-out Tokyo negotistions. a decisive phase to-

This will enable negotiators to assess whether the high hopes with which the Tokyo Round was launched four years still substantially realizable despite the uncertain economic prospect facing most

While this makes it more difficult for governments to take long-term decisions, most of the main trading nations seem to agree with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Tradewhich is overseeing the nego-tiations—that further liberalization with expanded markets is the only effective counter to the rising wave of protectionism of which Gatt gave warning in its

According to Mr Alonzo Mc-Donald, newly-appointed head of the United States delegation, they hope to have agreement on a tariff formula within 30

days.

The Gatt estimate is that disruptive measures introduced in the past two or three years now affect between 3 and 5 per cent

## Cheap marine insurance dilemma faces London underwriters

Although the security of policies issued in the London market has brought the return of some marine insurance busi ness from markets which have been prepared to undercut it, shipowners are still prone to the attractions of cut price insurance as they examine every conceivable way of reducing their operating costs. The length and severity of the shipping depression is the lynch-pin in this dilemma for

underwriters who have gathered here from all over the

world for their annual meeting

under the auspices of the Inter-national Union of Marine In-

and slump business, of course, but in previous postwar down turns underwriters in the tradi-tional markets, such as London, have never had to face the pressure they do now from mar-kets and companies which put income before investment underwriting profit.

Indeed, some of these mar-kets never existed until a few years ago. Some of them with-drew from the scene after sharing in some disastrous losses in 1975 and 1976; but sufficient remain to make the going tough for everyone.

Despite a hardening of arti-

buying

Shipping, and therefore still too low, and the 65 or so London underwriters who are in Montreaux, the largest contingent among the total of 600, will undoubtedly voice their concern during this week's

Heading the London delega-tion are Mr A. E. Mann, chairman, Institute of London Underwriters, and Mr J. A. Oliver, chairman, Lloyds' Underwriters'

Association.
Mr F. H. Hunter, chairman, iverpool Underwriters' Association, will again present a comprehensive review of casualty statistics, which is expected to show that last year's record total of tonnage lost tude in the London market this could be equal or even year, hull premium rates are ceeded by the end of 1977.

## extensive interviews with government officials, oil experts and others in Asia, the United States and Europe, differed from a more pessimistic Central Vaccoligance Associate report Ekofisk gas flow

Deliveries of the first Norwegien gas to Europe through the 440-kilometre pipeline from the Ekofisk field to Emden in West Germany began at the weekend. Initially the gas will flow through the pipeline at a rage of 20-25 million cubic metres a day, building up to about 60 million cubic metres

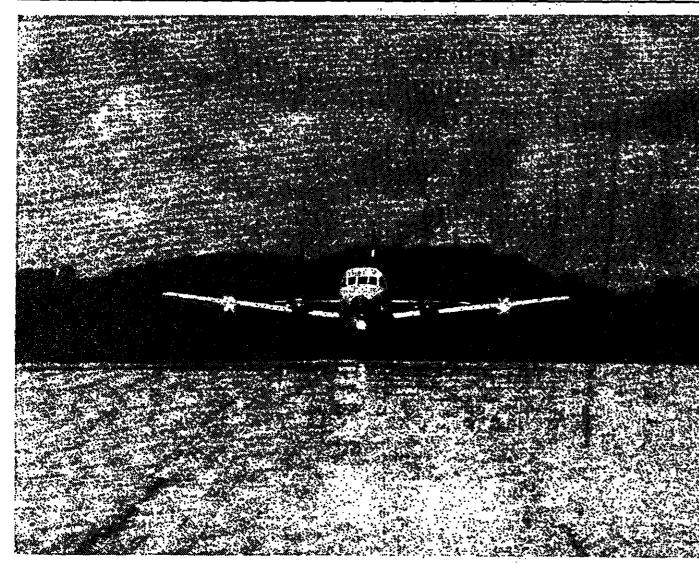
darly. The pipeline is owned by

#### Shoe group cuts complaints British Shoe Corporation, part of Sir Charles Clore's Sears Holdings, and the United King-dom's biggest footwear retailer, tested to destruction, allowing weak points to be corrected

before orders are placed. BSC has acted to give cushas stepped up quality control over its suppliers, with a "noticeable reduction" in tomers "a fairer deal and conform with the spirit of the voluntary code of practice for footwear", it was stated. BSC ustomer complaints. This was claimed yesterday by BSC, which has a central warehousing operation based at has been the target in the past of trade reports criticizing the effects on United Kingdom Leicester. manufacturers of its near-monopoly buying in some Additional resting equipment monopoles recently been installed, and sectors.

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## BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

## Realism for the new account

There was some profit-taking in last Friday's end-of-account stock market downturn, but investors were also taking notice of disappointing profit figures that have been feedconstruction But equally important a society, albeit more; ing through in the past week or two. The market has been looking for corporate profits growth of around a quarter or a fifth this year, and a stream of results pointing to something less than this would be a justicollege iron by the college begins of those from the college to the college the college that the college the colle fiable reason for a pause in what has, in any case, been an excessively rapid run up in share prices.

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So as we said last week, indications from companies like BSR and Reckirt & Colman t the engineering R in the consumer sector and from Bridon, and GKN in the engineering sector suggest that the relative buoyancy of the first quarter has given way to increasingly tough trading conditions in the second.

the output of engine duries than has a been intonated i That fits in with the evidence of a sharp fall in volume consumer turnover, which has been apparent for some months in the retail sales figures. It now increasingly appears that the domestic experience has

been borne out in other leading markets. College. It is consistent of the animagnitude The implications for the second-half of this year could be appreciable. The Bank of England in its Quarterly Bulletin last week, highlighted the heavy stockbuilding (nearly £500m at current prices) in the first quarter, which it thinks could have been largely involuntary. Stockbuilding, it notes. was again large in the second quarter.

Its comments bear out the indications of recent banking figures, which show that in the first four months of the present financial year, lending to the private sector was growing at an annualized rate of 16 per cent. In short, the first-half of this year found retailers borrowing to finance stocks in anticipation of sales they were not able to make, and the process has been feeding back through to the manufacturers.

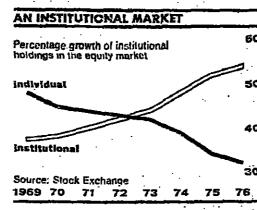
Since the retail sales figures, although better during the past two months, are not 's maire view of y yet showing decisive signs of the longawaited upturn, the probability is that the third quarter will see retailers and manufacturers progressively adjusting their stock levels to the prevailing, lower levels of business.

For companies in these sectors, therefore, the slowdown already apparent in first-half f management results could work through still more ervations made strongly in the second half. For those with eing designed an a big domestic content the downturn may is and efficiences be short-lived, but for big exporters, sufferused in the but ing from a strong pound and relatively high id it is an inco- cost inflation, trading conditions could be vent is "total" especially tough.

On a wide economic scale the effect could

also be significant. De stocking should tend to halt the incipient rise in bank lending and the growth in money supply, freakishly low in the month to mid-August, should therefore receive little private sector stimulus during the autumn months.

The counter argument, of course, is that those who have anticipated growing upward pressures on the money supply, have largely been looking anyway to the balance of payments surplus, foreign inflows and growing public sector demand as the source of any upturn.



One of the important benchmarks for the long-term health of the stockmarket will be the extent to which small investors are lured back into equities during this bull phase to provide the sort of two-way business that has largely disappeared in recent

Aside from a mew stockbrokers who claim to have heard a jamiliar name or two on the telephone, there have been few tangible signs of the small investor chancing his arm this time round—certainly jubbers are still kept very short of stock. Although the number of hargains has managed to get back to within sight of the 33,000 recorded when the FT Index was last at present levels on one or two days this month, the average last week was still around a quarter below that of five and a half years ago.

Meanwhile, nowhere is the dominance of the institutions more apparent than in the average size of equity hargain which rosc steadily in 1976 to £4.660 for most of last week was around £5,000 while during May, 1972, when equities were last at these levels the average bargain was only £2,852. Without a last minute rush from small investors will the professionals know when to bale

#### equest, to the lace Recessionary headaches for special steels

trains Confirmation of just how deep the recesants is now massion in the steel industry continues to be de-ranging. An americane over the weekend with the disappointnience is well zing interim figures from Guest Keen & Nettlefolds. GKN's automotive components. moves, anyway business continued to do well, but its primary metal products and the distribution livision, which includes GKN Steelstock.

ute hat, if at all north saw profits down by 40 per cent.
of essional body. 6 Twelve months after the steel cycle was e crucism the pected to turn upwards there is still little be forthcoming right of any improvement. On the contrary, auditor . . . and a over the past quarter, if anything, conditions rave deteriorated. The flurry of takeover a pir Mr Grectivity in Sheffield earlier in the year has nce of exemal addied down with only Johnson & Firth mited frown's holding in Samuel Osborn now

royiding any speculative interest.

The absence of stock profits which heneited 1976 results will be more marked from ny on and the depressed margins, which so it GKN's first-half figures will be difficult better, until worldwide demand allows

rices to catch up with rising costs. Against this background the special steels Best's least is a market at organization underperformed. Best's learn is a sending and underperformed hearing the sound are improved, despite the rationalizations nely. The Sound and capital investment among the Chapter of the capital investment among the ca nely, the South and capital investment among the Sheffield structiveness in Exampanies which will transform profits when it its design by Exampanies which will transform profits when

f and the Sors remand improves. the and med of Last week's crop of depressing engineerthe and the desire company results may depress the sector's old mistrustic limitares but having underperformed for so illisted by harming, the steel companies could be protected agents. 1 do pa not some extent by their high yields.

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But with dividend restraint expected to come off next year, the relative yield attractions of the special steel producers may become less important while the upturn could still be some time off.

It would still be a pity to miss the boat JFB's operational gearing as a result of its capital spending on both the Atlas melting shop and in its forging plants could treble profits from the steel-division and although Greening purchase have been seen in the year just ended there will be longer term advantages. In the meantime, though, IFB needs volume to pick up before it has to start delaying capital expenditure and before raw material costs start to push up its very heavy working capital requirements.

With only a moderate increase in volume (and the acquisition of British Rollmakers) working capital rose 37 per cent to £65m last year, and capital investment will be around £10m this year.

The slight improvements that can be seen within the steel sector are at the tool steel end, which will have a more marked effect on Edgar Allen and Samuel Osborn than on JFB. Osborn, though, is affected by the downturn in South Africa, which has

een providing three quarters of profits. The drawback to Edgar Allen, as Montagu Loebl points out is that after baying far more problems than expected in its acquisition of Balfour Darwins it has yet to prove that its revamped tool operation can deliver the goods.

As for Osborp, its share price is reflecting bid hopes which seems unlikely to materialize, and for all special steels com-panies there would seem to be every reason to await a sign of rising steel prices before taking the plunge. The benefits, eventually, should be substantial.

#### cated. The emerging facts can be used to support the thesis that the trade-off between inflation and employment is still on a path of cyclical deterioration and that we are starting on the last upswing of the slowing roller coaster or, for the cautious possimist, the last but one upswing) before the final plunge into hyper-inflation and ungov-

So far, the late summer indicators for

the British economy have been moving

and improving pretty much as indi-

Equally, it could be argued from them that the addiction to inflation which took hold between 1973 and 1975 at last shows signs of yielding and that lights are appearing at the and of the tunnel.

This month's trade figures could be taken as warming evidence that North Sea oil is coming through exactly as predicted and on time to remove for ageneration or more the traditional balance of trade constraint on the way in which the British economy been run. Or, alternatively, you can

The status of the independent

merchant banks has undergone a radical transformation over

the past decade. At the end of the 1960s and in the early

1970s everything they touched appeared to turn to gold.

Deposits and advances green

apace on the back of the arouth of wholesale money markets

and particularly the new-found Eurocurrency business. Cor-porate finance boomed with the takeover and merger mania of

the time; and many of the

more adventurous were break-

ing new ground overseas and at home as well, where the drive

into fund management was just

one example of their ability to

conjure up new sources of in

Despite the acute financial strains of 1974-75, resulting in such notable casuatries as Brandts, which was forced to

leave the inner sanctum of the

Accepting Houses Committee (comprising the leading mer-

chant banks) after heavy losses

on property loans, and leaving a clutch of others from Slater,

Walker and Keyser Ullmann to the smaller Wallace Brothers as

the walking wounded, merchant banks have by and large man-

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are very much on the defensive. With competition muscling in

from all directions many City

penn counterparts.
One leading merchant banker

summarily dismisses these sug-gestions: "People have been

telling me for years that our days are numbered. Well it

happened yet I don't see it."

Even allowing for the fact that self-confidence is the mer-

chants' stock-in-trade, this is easy to understand, since they have shown a chameleon-like

instinct for altering the thrust

of their business as circum-

stances change.
It was in the 1950s that they

made the big push into cor-porate finance work. Then in

the 1960s they started to tap

the wholesale money markets in earnest and pushed up their

deposits growth at a rate that made the clearers look also-

rans. Now in the 1970s they have found a new game to play in the shape of the Eurocurrency and international bond

-And if their domestic style

is being cramped at the moment, several have already

started to look to the 1980s and

begun to forge links with large

expand the international scope

For all their confidence, how-

ever, the stock market is still

treating the sector with an icy reserve. True to form, financial

issues have been among the worst performers in the latest

upsurge, but the most conspicu-

markets.

and

reputations.

#### Hugh Stephenson

## North Sea fortune telling

a very strong turnround is little more than the mirror image of an equally strong industrial recession. If it is only possible for the trade balance and the pound to be this strong

at the bottom of such a deep recession, it might be argued, then there is no chance even with the full benefit of North Sea oil of being able to return to anything like full employment while remaining a member of an even notionally open world trading system. Economists can have little to say about this central question of whether

North Sea oil is going to make a qualitative change to the behaviour of the British economy—and the reason is in one sense obvious. The techniques of economic forecasting depend on past relationships between economic variables. They are, therefore, by their unture unsuited as instruments for analysing whether an apparently major phenomenon like North Sea oil is in fact going to be the cause of a major shift in trends. All we can do is to look at the picture in a much more

substantial direct way in which the positive flow of North Sea operations will automatically leave a lasting impression on the economy as a whole. Property values in the Aberdeen area and some local effects on employ-ment, particularly in the service in-dustries, have already made themselves felt. But there is no evident or likely way in which the mass of savings gen-erated by the North Sea will by some magic wave of the wand become translated into new industries and employment to match that at present being

lost by contraction or new technology.

It is difficult to see any automatically

dynamic factor coming thus out of the

North Sea. The same applies to the direct relief for the balance of payments. We have always been led to suppose that when the British economy grows at much more than a rate of 3 per cent a year, for more than a few moments, bottlenecks and inflationary pressures appear, regardless of the state of the balance of payments. The industrial strategies of the past two governments

have been important. It must be doubted, however, whether they have been so effective as to remove this essential constraint on economic per-

After the balance of payments benefit from the North Sea, however, will . come the direct revenue benefits to the Exchequer, which by the end of the decade should be substantial. This holds out the possibility of correspondingly substantial reductions in the general level of taxation, or increases in public spending, or some combination of the two, over a period of many

It is inconceivable that such a shift in the character of central government the next two or three decades should not be a dynamic factor in the economy. The element of fairly has to be that the dynamic process will change existing relationships sufficiently in itself to make it possible and rational for a substantial part of the increased available demand to come through investment, private and public, and not just through consumpion, private and public.

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## Which route now for the merchant banks?

**GROWTH OF ACCEPTING HOUSES, DECEMBER 1967—FEBRUARY 1977** 

<del></del>	Sterling	Currency	Total	Sterling	Advances Currency	Total
February 1977	2,611	3,593	6,204	1,045	1,611	2,656
January 1977	2,722	3,527	6,249	1,063	1,569	2,632
January 1976	2.270	2.622	5,C92	957	1,363	2,320
January 1975	2 150	2,509	4,659	988	1,761	2,749
January 1974	2,522	3,035	5,557	· 870	2,211	3,081
January 1973	2,095	2,183	4,253	666	1,598	2,264
January 1972	1,521	1,516	3,437	459	1,393	1,852
March 1971	1.296	1,725	3,121	319	1,271	1,590
December 1969	<b>1.</b> 155 ·	1,291	2,456	286	811	1,097
December 1968	976	900	1,376	261	639	900
December 1967	827	636	1,463	238	429	667

ous laggard of all has been the merchant banking sector. So, despite rising almost threefold since the depths of early 1975, merchant banks are still only valued at a third of their all-time high five and a half years

aged to maintain their high three years, inflation and the effects of sterling's depreciation observers have been predicting their eventual eclipse, paralleled by the growth of the clearing banks into banques d'affaires or universal banks along the lines of their Euroon a deposit base three fifths of which is in overseas currencies, at a time when capital and reserves have stood still, have seriously weakened those balance sheet ratios, limiting

> Whereas the clearers have the option to make periodic rights issues, as all except Barclays among the big four have done recently, or even to escape is unlikely for the merchants. For one thing, equity issues would dilute strong family or major shareholder stakes which still dominate the big groups; apart from which such issues would, as in Hill Samuel's case a few years ago, force them to reveal

support

One route has been to look

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however we<u>ll</u> merchant banks have come through the traumas of the past the ability to grow in the

the true look of their books.
To judge from past glimpses, that would not be an altogether happy sight, since past trans-fers from disclosed to inner reserves have been nowhere near as high as once suspected and, with the damage of recent years, may be no more than a fifth higher on average than the disclosed level.
So, to buttress their balance

sheets, merchant banks have to rely on occasional property revaluations, transfers from inner to disclosed reserves for the stronger ones, as with Morgan Grenfell last year to its above-average deposits growth, or top-ups from parent groups, as Guin ness Pear was prepared to make

-none of which is really sufficient to handle the increasing scale of their present

link with Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bos (Paribas) Hambros, helping hand from Prudential of America and, in rather different category, Ansbacher's rescue by the German Lissauer Group—but there is a limit to this unless the element of United Kingdom control is to be given up entirely.

The most deeply-rooted can-

cern about the future of the merchant banks is not these internal pressures but the external ones arising from the growth of the competition in their traditional areas of activity and the limitations their size places on their ability to combases and branch networks,

projects to the Eurocurrency ticularly as their branch netmarkets, the merchant banks are finding their limited capital bases too small to fend off the competition. In the Euromarkets, especially, the mer-chant banks standing as syndi-cate managers has declined cate managers has declined steadily because of their inability to match the American banks in particular in terms of lending and placing power. In corporate finance stockbrokers, too, have been trying

to move into this territory. But the most suffocating competition could come from the clearers themselves, which in recent years have made a de-termined push into the mer-chant banking field. The under-lying reason for this has been quite simply that the nature

been gradually moving towards the areas in which the merchants' strengths lie. Most important has been the

of the clearers' business has

clearers' desire to gain access to the wholesale money markets to supplement the sluggish the same time the changing structure of company debt, with the clearers shifting from overdraft to medium-term finance. bas brought them into more direct competition with the merchants, whose forte has always been serting up mediumterm lending syndicates and arranging acceptance credits.

places on their ability to com-pete with the overseas banks become increasingly consumer in London with huge deposit of the fact that they should provide the whole spectrum of provide the whole spectrum of corporate financial advice, parwork provides them with such a ready-made shop-window.

date, however, the clearers' experience in chant banking has been mixed. Midland is still widely believed to be sorting our the problems of its Samuel Montagu satellite; National Westminster's County Bank has shown pedestrian progress as far as the balance sheet total is concerned and its list of clients is a far cry from the blue chip roster many large merchant bank independents can sport.

Barclays Merchant Bank did, however, appear to take on a new lease of life just over a year ago when it captured the highly regarded Mr Charles Ball

from Kleinwort Benson. His abrupt departure, a fortnight ago, therefor, raises the ques-tion whether the clearers can ever fully supplant the mer-chant banks.

Mr Ball's casus belli was medium-term lending and his unwillingness to leave this important segment of the business to the less experienced branch managers. But it is equally clear that his actions were closely circumscribed eisewhere.

How much this is the fault of the Barclays structure, where areas such as fund management, foreign exchange and insurance leasing are rightly compartmentalized, leaving the mer-chant bank with a relatively limited scope compared with the other clearers' operations, and how much it is due to the inherent difficulties in fusing these two banking areas is something that only time will answer. Certainly, NatWest and Midland do not appear to have suffered in the same way.

What most of the clearers do seem to accept, however, is that many of the larger companies may still want an independent source of advice, so the potential conflicts of interest between the merchant banking and commercial banking sides of the clearers is likely 10 continue as a field for the independents to exploit.

The likely pattern for the independent merchant banks in the future is for them to expand their financial consultancy work, as for example Schroders has done so successfully, rather than aim for size. In that ambition, Hill Samuel has already been frustrated twice by its failure to take over

tive merger with Slater, Walker. Increasingly, however, the merchant banks will have to extend their relationships with overseas banks to provide them with access to bigger capital In short, the debate over

whether the merchant banks will be swallowed by the clearers is at best arid. What the whole banking system should be directing its attention towards is increasing its capacity for meeting the international challenge. It is discon-certing to see the American, Japanese and other overseas banks putting heavy pressure on the clearers in London—and the position internationally is no better.

Ronald Pullen

the half-year to 30th June 1977

Half Year to 30 June 1976	Half Year to 31 Dec. 1876		Half You to 30 Jun 1977
£m 17.51 50.10	£m 18.59 45.96	External Sales : UK Overseas	£m 21.29 56.52
67.61	64.55	Total	77.81
10.88	9.94 (1.00)	Profit/(loss) before taxation: Tioxide Group Associated company	12.35 (1.74
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5.34	3.82	Profit attributable to shareholders	4.27

Income and expenditure of overseas subsidiary and associated companies have been converted into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the end of each

1976, but the improvement has been below expectations. Profits before tax were marginally lower due to a loss in the associated company, which is in its first year

Corporation Tax (calculated at 52%) and £3.02 million Overseas Tax. The associated company loss is unrelieved for tax thus distorting the overall charge

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be lower. Some reduction in the rate of loss at the associated company is now -

Producing companies in Britain - Australia - Canada - France - S. Africa - Span-INTERNATIONAL MANUFACTURERS OF TITANIUM PIGMENTS

## Business Diary in Europe: Aluminium on its mettle

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When Schmidt moved up from being finance minister to Chancellor in 1974 he took Hiss away from his former position. when Schmidt moved up from being finance minister to Chancellor in 1974 he took Hiss away from his former position as head of the finance ministry money and credit department. money and credit department. In many ways Hiss proved to

be an ideal "Schmidt man". Expert, hard working but quier, he could never be accused of trying to steal the limelight from his often domineering

But a job in the Chancellery can take its roll of the most loval government official. The hours worked can be punish-If Hiss becomes head of the

central bank in Berlin, life should be more relaxed. He will also be returning to familiar ground. Between 1959 and 1967, he worked in the influential West Berlin Institute for Economic Research.

EEC taxpayers are having to pay for keeping in cold storage thousands of tons of meat which Italian butchers do not want to sell and Italian housewives do not want to buy.

Since January about 40,000 tons of frozen meat have come into Itely from West German. Holland, Ircland, Belgium and Denmark, but less than a fiftieth has been sold, and it is costing about £6,000 a day in storage fees.

Marcora. Ciovanni agriculture minister, thought he rers in six mouths time. Dring in a service, as well as easing the serious food deficit in the man in the Chancellers, polled for the job of president the state central bank the 40,000 tons.



Giovanni Marcor.

However, for one thing, butchers are by law allowed only to deal in "fresh" mear and retailers will not go to the expense of installing new cold storage equipment when many of their customers have been persuaded to think that only fresh meat is hygienic.

The "fresh mear only" legislation is convenient for the butchers' lobby, since in the very few outlets which sell only exclusively frozen meat the arrangements as lunchtune and and Surinom: price is often about half that of dinner meetings were now fresh. It is a sad ceminder of almost as important as the secthe inefficiency; as well as the piece addresses. high profit margins, of the Moreu was here Italian distribution system. ....

The government has now authorized higher prices for frozes theat but to no avail

Assorted academics and hureauthe crats in London, Brussels or Geneva who have an interest poor countries man well be interested in an advertisement in the current edition of The Economist on behalf of a third World Foundation. This body wants a director of studies, two

high class research students and a librarian. But be warned— apart from the usual qualifications required a little telepathy-wouldn't go amiss. The adver-tisement doesn't say to whom applications should be made.

John Moreu was in London from The Nutherlands at the reakend describing some of the changes that are taking place in the international convention market.

He is the executive director of the Amsterdam-based International Congress and Convention Association, among whose members are London's Wembley Conference Centro and the City's Barbican Arts Centre. It was still important to have

big auditorium in a new conference centre, he said, but it was also becoming more and more necessary to provide "break-off rooms" where delegates could split up for smaller meetings. Secondly, Moreu said, there

was a need for flexible catering. dinner meetings were now-Moreu was here with a member of the ICCA board, Peter

Christensen, general manager

of the Chatcau Frontenac hotel-

in Paris, to discuss arrange-

ments for the association's sixteenth general assembly in This is to be held in neither ondon, Amsterdam nor Paris but for the first time in Singapore, the unanimous recommendation of ICCA's new and

vigorous Pacific chapter.

Alwin Zecha, chairman of the Hongkong based travel agents Pacific Leisure Mytravel, and the holding of this convention could mark Singapore's leap from the south-east Asian into the world convention league. It is not easy for the up-and-

coming accountancy firm to move on from auditing the medium-sized national company to auditing a fully-fiedged multinational corporation. Fryer Whitehill, which audits, among others, Smiths Industries, hes 24 partners and 200 staff.

It is a tenth the size of the big eight United Kingdom accountancy firms, which are increasingly grabbing the big auditing jobs, But Fryer White-bill thinks it has overcome its size disadvantage by a joint venture with the much bigger Dutch firm Meret and Limourg. The Dutch firm is one of the

three largest partnerships The Netherlands with purtners and 2,000 staff. It has offices throughour Europe and in New York, Lagos, Antilles

The new joint firm, which artners from both Sides, called Moret and Limperg Frece Whitehill, will give Free Whitefull the international base it needs while Moret & Lim-perg will be able to do "in house" audits of English subsidiaries of its Dutch clients rather than putting the work out to correspondent firms.

Henk Treffers is a partner in the Durch firm who, as his Government's accountancy, chaired the last working party on the EEC fourth directive" which is intended to harmonize Euro-The association's president is pean practice.

Statement of unaudited results for

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The value of goods exported from the UK including intra-group sales was £16.4 million.

period. Changes in the sterling values of the Parent Company's interest in overseas companies, arising from exchange fluctuations, have been excluded from Sales volume in the first half of 1977 was higher than in the same period of

For the first half of 1977 the taxation charge consists of £3.03 million UK For the second half year, despite an encouraging start, profits are expected to



#### **ROYAL DUTCH** PETROLEUM COMPANY

(N.V. Koninklijke Nederlandsche Petroleum Maatschappii) Established at The Hague, The Netherlands

#### INTERIM DIVIDEND 1977

The Supervisory Board and the Board of Management of the Company have declared on account of the expected total dividend in respect of the year 1977, an interim dividend amounting to Natherlands Guilders 5.00 per share on its outstanding shares of 20 guilders per value.

(i) This interim dividend will be payable against surrender of coupon No. 162 on or after 27th September, 1977 at the offices of N. M. Rothschild & Sons Limited, New Court, St. Swithin's Lane,

Payment will be made in sterling at the buying rate of exchange current in Amsterdam at 2 p.m. on 20th September, 1977, in the case of coupons presented on or before that date, or on the day of presentation in the case of coupons presented subsequently. In view of the fact that Netherlands guilder funds are being provided by the Company for payment of this dividend, the usual foreign exchange ion will be deducted from the sterling proceed must be accompanied by a presentation form, copies of which can be obtained from N. M. Rothschild & Sons Limited, and the face of each coupon must bear the stamp or other indication showing the name

Coupons must be left for an appropriate period for examination and must be handed in personally. Coupons cannot be paid through the

In the case of shareholders not resident within the Scheduled Territonies the paying agent may, at the request of the Authorised Deposi-tary presenting the coupons, pay the dividend in a different currency: Information in this respect will be supplied by the paying agent upon

Netherlands dividend tax at the reduced rate of 15 per cent will be

(a) United Kingdom income tax has also been deducted; (b) Coupons are presented on behalf of residents of the United States of America, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands Antilles, Norway, South Africa, Spain, Sweden or West Germany, provided they lodge the appropriate declaration form.

Netherlands dividend tax at the reduced rate of 20 per cent will be deducted from the gross dividend where coupons are presented on behalf of a resident of Surinam, provided they lodge the appropriate

In all other cases Netherlands dividend tax of 25 per cent is to be

(ii) On 27th September, 1977, this interim dividend will be paid to Depositaries admitted by Centrum Voor Fondsenadministratie B.V. Amsterdam, on the shares whose dividend sheets were in their custody at the close of business on 16th September, 1977. Such ent will be made through the medium of N. M. Rothschild & Sons Limited, after receipt by them of a duly completed CF Dividend

Where appropriate, the usual affidavit certifying non-residence in the United Kingdom will also be required if payment is to be made without uction of United Kingdom income tax.

Where under the double tax agreement between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands 15 per cent Netherlands dividend tax has been withheld, the 15 per cent Netherlands tax is allowable for a resident of the United Kingdom as a credit against the United Kingdom income tax payable in respect of the dividend. The deduction of United Kingdom me tax at the reduced rate of 19 per cent instead of at the Basic Rate of 34 per cent represents a provisional allowance of credit at the rate of

B. On the Registered Shares registered in the United Kingdom Section of the Amsterdam Register

The starting amount of this interim dividend is fixed at 116.212p. per

share based on the sterling/guilder rate of exchange, being N.fis 4.3025 The record date will be 26th September, 1977; shareholders registered

at the close of business on that date will be entitled to receive the On or before 18th October, 1977 dividend warrants will be posted by the

transfer agent, Algemene Bank, Nederland N.V., Amsterdam, to share-holders registered in their books on the record date. From the dividend on the registered shares Netherlands dividend tax of 25 per cent has also to be deducted. Where under the relevant tax convention shareholders are entitled to a reduction of the Netherlands. dividend tax, this can only be effected through a requerefund of the tax withheld on the appropriate tax affidavit.

19th September, 1977 ROYAL DUTCH PETROLEUM COMPANY

#### **MANAGEMENT**

ful source of the skilled workers that British industry so badly needs, but, first, careers officers and teachers would have to be reeducated: That is the message that comes out of a meeting with Pauline, Barbara and Susan -three of the most successful design draughting apprentices to go through the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's training scheme at Risley,

The scheme has been operatmg for more than 12 years and accepts 45 apprentices a year for a four-year course in nechanical draughtsmanship. Only three girls have ever been taken on and, by sheer chance, these three all started in the same year, 1974. They have now com-pleted the basic training and are in their final year, working with teams of adult engineers.

Each achieved special distinction on the rigorous course. One was the first apprentice ever to take ONC in the first year; another the first to take HNC in three years; and the third was top apprentice of her entire year, beating the 42 boys.

Pauline Alired has gone so far as to complete her own design of a desk-type logic unit with integrated currents that is far in advance of any of its type and less than one third design. It was entered in the

## Girls' schools could be a fruit-

Girls show that they can compete in industry

Sydney Paulden describes an Atomic Energy Authority training scheme in which three girls (among 42 boys) have distinguished themselves

of training at Risley, is keen to

nterest more girls in the design draughtsmen scheme, but com-plains that very few who are suitable ever apply for the course. Each of the three successful girl apprentices stresses the enormous difficulties they experienced in overcoming the istance at their three schools to the idea of a girl applying for the Risley course.

The careers teacher looked "I was forced to go on a tour of a hospital to see if I would

Daily Express Young Engineer advice to any girl who wants ing to their interest and their facture, by hand, his or her own for Britain competition and won this kind of a career instead of apritude. They are tested to the usual girls stuff is to be see if they can understand in box to the chisels, oil jug and John Wilcox-Baker, controller strong and resolute. Boys have no special aptitude for design drawing any more than girls." Pauline Allred is the slightest

of the three girls, but she is the one who came top of the course. "I will agree that boys are stronger than us, generally, but if there is something very heavy to be shifted, then I just get a bit of help. On the other get a bit of help. On the want hand there's many a time when I have helped the boys with their homework, so it works out

Candidates for the course are selected not according to quali-fications—there are none stipu-lated as essential—but accord-

structions, if they can carry them out and if they can communicate their own ideas.

Communication is the basic theme of the course for, as Mr Alan Livesey, the apprentices training manager, emphasizes, a design draughtsman must be able to work with managers and ers, interpret their needs and convey to them exactly what has to be done to solve a

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straight in the "real world" of joining and forming materials. All their design drawing training is on the solution of problems brought to them from the engineering laboratories and factories of the authority, and of British Nuclear Fuels, on the Risley site. A class of 45 apprentices is likely to be working on 15 or 20 different

vision in the lounge.

cooking in the kitchen and tele-

Although the girls have adopted well to the course, not all the boys and men have been able to adapt easily to the girls as workmanes. Barbara Dubbeldam, who is working with electricians in installing conduits and trunking to ventilate buildings on the research site, notices that her fellow workers try hard to cut down their swearing in her presence.

Pauline said that she has been able to categorize the males into three different types. One type ignores the girls entirely. A second is hostile and thinks a girl has no right to be there and the third is all fatherly and makes remarks such as: "Oh look, isn't she clever? She's done it richt. Whatever the attitude of the

fellow apprentices and workers, the training management is convinced that more girls should be encouraged to consider skilled design and engineering jobs for their careers. Any career adviser who imagines that girls are not suitable candidates because of their sex is robbing British industry of talents that it is going to need more and more in the furure.

If girls càn successfully The electrical design course invade the high technology includes the wiring of a consultation environment of the Atomic plete house—putting in lighting Energy Authority, they should and power circuits in three be able to shine elsewhere in storeys and wiring for electric skilled industrial jobs.

## A shoulder for the employer to lean on

A new breed of advocates and advisers has begun appearing on behalf of employers before industrial tribunals in recent months. They are supplied by a Surrey-based company called Employers Protection surance Services. In spite of its Mafia-like business name, EPIS turns out to be a unique sultancy service run by a rather friendly retired Royal Navy commander, Mr Brian Raincock, and his accountant

EPIS began operations earlier this year, offering an insurance policy underwritten at which indemnifies employers (there are various conditions in the small print) against the financial consequences of at least seven major pieces of employment facing over 40,000 applications to tribunals under the various tarutes and costs to employers of actions, such as unfair dismissal defences, are now esti-mated to be running at about

Brian Raincock judges that mployers have been ill-pre-ared for new employment ion and need help and advice now they are experiencng a wave of actions by well-dvised employees or articulate

union officials, who are increasingly better informed about the rights of individual

His service has, in its first six months, recruited 500 employers, and applications are now coming in at a rate of 100 a month. Already a regional office is being established in Leeds, with others likely to follow in Manchester, Birmingham and other centres:

An integral part of the EPIS consultancy is free advice on all aspects of new laws, with an administrative service for handling employee questioning. Help is available at the pretribunal stage where concilia-tion often produces a settle-

Premiums are based on a percentage of annual payrolls. medium-sized companies.

The aim is not to supplant companies, but to provide an expert back-up service not afraid to give independent advice that may, on the facts, consider the employee's case justified. This evoids costly mistakes when dealing with mistakes when dealing with £12,000 in awards and legal staff and matters such as discosts if he is not aware of missals, discipline, and recum-dancies. Problems arising from

are also covered.

One of the initial problems has been to ensure that staff advisers do not become rack room lawyers". EPIS are ready to use solicitors and top counsel as and when necessary. But the general aim is to pro-

vide employers with consultants whose expertise and experience is suited to defending employers in the rather infor mal surroundings of tribunals where sympathy for lay people opposed by lawyers is evident.

A solicitor may not necessarily be the best person to present an employer's case in a tribunal. Normal court rules do not prevail and the procedures

Conflicts of interest are avoided by EPIS because it makes clear that it stands with the employers that it repre-sents. Sometimes advice may go egainst an employer: but it is given in the employer's m-

can be frustrating to court-

preparing e defences credible bunal, says Raincock, can cost an employer as much as

ning a case can be a hollow victory when the legal and other costs are totted up. The EPIS insurance scheme covers employers for unfair dismissal on awards, fees, and

Legal consultancy service on dismissal procedures and conemployment is also

Raincock is not a reactionary fighting the trend in Europe and North America towards atioption of stringent employ-ment protection. He feels ment protection laws. He feels has a praiseworthy aim of im-proving relations between management and workforce. There are reforms to be made,

The reality is that management goes on trial everytime an employee goes to a tribunal. So it is in management's indures and to obtain skilled advice so that both employee and employer can know what is expected of each other under new laws. This evoids trouble, or, at least, cuts down number of confrontations with individuals.

Nonethe employers do get into difficul-ties. Their line managers can sometimes act petulandy, makrils in the, ing mistakes, often in making islation for redundancies or the eccasional

found that the best reaction to his service comes from companies with generally sound in 1972, there were just over employment policies, but 5,000 tribunal cases adone, and bard pressed and are willing to nearly 34,000. take advice from outside to check out their policies.

Raincock has found that employers will listen and adjust their employenent policies. It is good business to avoid pitialls and actions against themselves that the good business to avoid pitials and actions against themselves that the good business to avoid pitials and actions against themselves that the good business to go the go the go the good business to go the go the good business to go the good business to go the go the go the go the go the good business to go the go good name of their firms is not sullied by wild statements Part of the costs still have to

be met by employers under the EPIS insurance scheme. This is intended to ensure that an employer does not act vexa-tiously because of insurance.

Industrial Tribunals issues a long list of hearings in England and Wales, while Scotland has a separate system. Every kind of employer is experiencing the upsurge in applications for settlement of some grievance. What with the Employment Protection Act, the Trade Union and Labour Relations

Act, Sex Discrimination Act, Contracts of Employment Act, Health and Safety at Work Act, Equal Pay Act, Redun-dancy Payments Act, Industrial Training Act and the Race Relations Act, it will be a race

employer who can escape have ing problems. Compensation awards are creeping upwards.

Trade unions have reorganized their staff to provide expert services to members, and legal partnerships are increasingly appointing solicitors and barristers who specialize in employment matters. Employers have also increased their capability, if somewhat slowly, judging by the attendances at scores of seminars.

Not all the legislation has been fully implemented and its total impact has yet to be feld. At some stage, for example, consideration of breach of contract may be switched from county courts to iribunals, and the new safety regulations are

only just coming in.
What seems certain is that employers who yearn for an end to it all are just whistling in the winds, Employment pro-rection law is here to stay, even if there may be a few changes in the next few years in the light of experience. Too many people have been learning and appreciating their rights for any government to repeal the various enactments.

Maurice Corina

The Times Awards for the best advertisement of a company's results have aroused considerable interest since their introduction in 1974 and the competition is now in its fourth year.

The categories in which awards will be made are listed alongside. The conditions of entry remain unchanged.

## THE TIMES AWARDS FOR THE BEST ADVERTISEMEN OF A COMPANY'S RESULTS FOR 1977.

#### The Awards

The awards will follow the 1976 pattern, namely

a) The Grand Prix, to be held for one year, awarded to the entrant whose advertisement is, in the opinion of the judges, the best submitted, irrespective of category. The Grand Prix consists of a silver trophy specially designed for The Times by Gordon Hodgson.

b) First, second and third prizes for category winners. Awards will be made both to the winning advertiser and agent.

#### The Panel of Judges

The Awards will be made by an independent panel of judges, selected for their understanding of this specialised form of communication.

They will judge entries in accordance with the following criteria. An advertisement of a company's results, whether the Chairman's statement is or is not included in full or in abridged form, should:

a) Attract the eye, by virtue of its design. b) Be easy to read, by the use of skilful typography.

c) Contain such information as prospective investors or professional advisers are likely to require, including details of the business carried on by the company.

d) Include at the option of the advertiser, such illustrations, graphs, or diagrams as may be necessary to supplement (c) above.

e) Leave the reader with the impression that the company concerned would be a good one to do business with, to work for, or to invest in.

Note: In the case of the categories Interim Results' or Preliminary Figures; only criteria (a) to (d) will apply.

#### Conditions of Entry

All entries are free, but must have appeared in the pages of The Times Business News during 1977.

The following are the categories in which awards will be made:

L Annual Results.

a) Colour or Black and White. Half page or larger, or equivalent.

b) Colour or Black and White. Less than half page or equivalent.

2. Interim Results or Preliminary Figures. Colour or Black and White (All sizes).

The Judges will have the option of making, at their absolute discretion, special awards for the following:

\*The best advertisement by an overseas company.

\*The best advertisement smaller than 20cms x 4 cols. \*The advertisement which makes the most significant contribution to new and imaginative thinking in financial

advertising (without necessarily satisfying all the criteria for the Grand Prix or Category Winners.) Entries will be accepted throughout the twelve month

period January 1st-December 31st 1977, and should take the form of art pulls mounted on board, with a clear indication of the category in which they are to be judged. Six unmounted art pulls should also be provided for the use of the Award Judges. They should be sent to:

Michael Mander, Deputy Chief Executive and Marketing Director,

The Times Awards.

The Times, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WCIX 8EZ. Tel: 01-837 1234.

Presentation of the awards will be made early in 1978.

**BUSINESS NEWS** 

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tasily the largest city in and attempts were made, and everyon, and indeed in the entire are still being made, to diversify the economy.

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in the regions

Under the government scheme for providing incentives for industry, Plymouth is designated an intermediate area, which means that manufacturers establishing factories there can claim a regional development grant of 20 per cent towards the cost of buildings, as well as training grants ings, as well as training grants and other financial assistance. In addition, the city itself is prepared to provide loans for factory construction, and the Department of Industry has a scheme whereby it can build factories for those who prefer to tent accommodation

to rent accommodation. Arrow Hart, the international company which specializes in making electrical switches, is one of the concerns which have taken advantage of the facili-ties offered by Plymouth.

Before moving his factory lock, stock and barrel from Southall, Middlesex, in 1972, the managing director toured

all Britain, from Brighton to Scotland, inspecting possible sites and came to the conclusion that Plymouth was the only one to which he could ask his workpeople to move,

What followed was a wholesale migration, for the company brought over 200 employees with it, which, together with their dependants, meant moving 1,000 people.

The company pays tribute to Plymouth City Council, which gave full cooperation in provid-ing both the factory site (of 11 acres) and adequate housing.

The Southall employees who moved down to the West Country were basically a core of skilled specialists and, once established, the factory immediately found work for many of the local unemployed.

It now employs about 600, a total which is climbing steadily after a period of recession, and it is taking on more and more Arrow Hart supplies its pro-

Arrow Hart supplies its products to the whole of Europe, with 15 to 20 per cent going for direct export. Transport to markets is mainly by British Rail, and poses no difficulties.

Macdonald & Evans is a publishing company which has found the move from London to the distant West Country by no means daunting or disadvanmeans daunting or disadvan-tageous. A national enterprise, it has a seven-figure annual turnover and exports some 60 per cent of its production.
Until just over a year ago it
had a central office in London
and a warehouse at Southend. Now everything is under one

an integrated circuit factory employing about 200 at Plymouth and are expanding. AD International, which makes dental equipment, has built a satellite factory and is training about 200. up a workforce of

roof (40,000 sq ft, with ample room for expansion).

Wrigicys, of chewing-gum fame, has been there for five or six years and employs about 700.

Ralph Whitlock the plantation company.

#### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

## Rowntree, Dunlop, RTZ, 'Pru', Vickers

TODAY: Interims: Cohen Bros, Expanded Metal, Gar-Nicholson, British Printing Corp, C. T. Bowring, Bury ton Eng. Stanley Gibbons Int. Leadenhall - Sterling. and Masco (Hldgs), Brown W. J. Reynolds Hidgs, Simon Eng and Utd Biscuits. Finals: Chambers and Fargus, F and C Eurotrust and W. Henshall and Sons. Boyeri Kent, Chersonese (FMS) Estates, Delta Metal, Dunlop Hldgs, General Investors and Trustee, Harris & Sheldon, George Kent, Hugh TUESDAY: Interims: Bank of Scotland, Bodycote Intl. Elec-Mackay, Newey Grp, Harold Perry Motors, Prudential Perry Ass, Ransomes Sims and Jefferies, Rowan and Boden, John C. Small and Tidmas,

tric and General Inv. Kleinwort Benson Lonsdale, Law Land, Liberty, Bernard Mat-thews, John Menzies, Pittard Grp (amended), Silver Mines, G. W. Sparrow and Sons and Wadkin. Finals: Elder Smith, Ricardo Eng and Geo H.

WEDNESDAY : Interims : Bemrose Corp, Brixton Estates, Dares Estates, Eagle Star In-Surance, Antony Gibbs Hidgs, J. B. Hidgs, Laporte Inds, Plantation Hidgs, RTZ Corp. Rowmree Mackintosh, and Tilbury Contracting, Finals: Arthur Bell and Sons, Wades Departmental Stores, West-minster and County Props

(HURSDAY : Interims : Anglo American Corp, Armstrong Equipment, Beralt Tin and

At Malaysia Rubber, the

chairman, in his annual stare-

met, says that there has been

some decline in rubber and

palm oil prices from recent

neak levels. Present indications

for the current year are that

the group's share of profits

from associates may not reach

the record level of the past

expected that total investment

income will improve following

mainly from the good trading

conditions being experienced by

Nevertheless, it is

Malaysia Rubber

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#### German co's US bid

Consolidated Mines.

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Results this week

Hidgs, Wilkinson Warburton. Finals: Dowding and Mills, Ferry Pickering Grp. G T

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Hilds, Southampton Isle of Wight, South of Eugland Royal Steam Packet, Ward White Grp, Whatman Reeve Angel. Finals: Thos Walker.

FRIDAY : Interims : Grampia:

Heidelberg — Portland-Aze mentwerke Heidelberg has agreed with the board of the United States group Lehigh Portland Cement of Allentown to offer shareholders 525 for each \$15 nominal share held.

The take-over depends on as least a majority of Lehigh's 3.4m shares being surrendered it said in a statement It added that it has sufficient funds to Portland-Zementwerke, which

has a basic capital of DM108m, said that the United States firm five cement orks ith a total annual capacity of 2.5m tonnes and a 1976 turnover of \$104m.—Reuter.

## UK finance houses need to see an upturn in base metal prices

Conventional wisdom has it that the UK mining houses will underperform the market in general while it is in a major bull phase. Only when the market is running out of steam market is running out of steam are the mining companies likely to outperform.

The relative performances over the last year certainly bear out the first part of the general proposition. The FT Industrial Index has risen by about 64 per cent while the Mining Finance Index has increased by 24 per cent. Among the houses themselves the performance has varied considerably with Rio Tinto-Zinc topping the list with a 43 per cent gain and Selection Trust bringing up the rear with a 13 per cent rise.

With the bull market seemngly having considerable further potential, now would appear not to be the right time to be buying into the houses.

But the signal for buying is not likely to solely rest on when fund managers and in-vestors consider the general market to be running our of steam. With base metals in their current extraordinary state some sign that demand was picking up and stockpiles being drawn down should have

a strong effect.
Conversely, the sluggish state of play in copper, nickel and zinc, particularly will have to be reversed before there can be much enthusiasm. A significant rise in the gold price would help Consolidated Gold Fields, Charter Consolidated and, to a lesser degree RTZ (gold is almost propping

up Bougainvillet, but bullion has shown no inclination to get carried away and has been making pedestrian progress to say

fits to £81.3m, estimates for

this year's performance have been consistently revised downwards as the early promise held out by copper in the first quarter collapsed. In general, the market is hop-

ing for earnings per share of 20p or net profits of about £48m in the first half, although there are some significant variations. But it is in the estimates for the full year, that there is an

#### **Mining**

unusual degree of discord. In a quick straw poll last week of eight broking firms, estimates ranged from 36p at Laurence

Prust to 45p at Fielding, Newson-Smith.
Only W. I. Carr, at 41p to 42p, was with Fielding in estimating above 40p, while de Zoete & Bevan and James Cape. were on 40p. Scott, Goff, Han-cock estimated 38p to 40p, Grieveson, Grant has further scaled down its forecast to 39p while Joseph Sebag is in the Laurence Prust region of 36p

to 37p.
It is mainly held that the second half is going to be worse than the first six months and than the first six months and so RTZ will need to make at least 20p in earnings per share if it is to make the 40p level for the full year. When the preliminaries were produced, most estimates were in the upper reaches of the forties and even 50p plus.

Because of the erratic movements of base metal prices and because of the changing nature of RTZ more than usual impor-

It is becoming increasingly difficult to forecast RTZ's re-sults with a reasonable degree of accuracy because an ever greater proportion of income is coming from unquoted companies—such as US Borax, RTZ Industries, and RTZ Oil and Gas. Then of course there is Rossing Uranium, which has yet to fulfill its promise.

One reason for Fielding, One reason for resung, Newson-Smith projecting much higher figures than almost any-body else is that it believes there will be an initial contrimere wan be an initial contri-bution from Rossing this year, whereas most brokers are of the view that it will not be until next year. (Once there were hopes that there would have been an initial contribution last serious process problems.)

Considerable interest will be directed to the performance of the aluminium side, particularly Anglesey Aluminium, in which the group has a one-third stake, Having been plagued with pro-blems, it now appears that most if not all have been sorted out and with the underlying strength of aluminium the operation could produce a useful bonus—last year it made its first profit. first profit.

lation over the level of earnings this year there is also considerable disagreement over the size of the dividend. RTZ has got through the Inchcape gap and broken free of dividend res-traint and estimates of the full year pay out ranges from 13.54p gross to 16.2p gross. At the top end of the scale that would give a prospective yield of 6.95 per cent on Thursday's closing price of 233p.

Desmond Quigley

# The British Electric Traction Company, Limited



## Sir John Spencer Wills forecasts another record year

Salient Figures	Year to 31st	ear to 31st March		
	1977	1976		
	£′000	£'000		
Profit before taxation	55,310	42,175		
Taxation	30,144	23,220		
Profit after taxation		• .		
and minority interests	19,550	14,295		
<b>Deferred Ordinary Dividends</b>	7,478	6,678		
Rate of Dividend per 25p Deferred Ordinary Share	5168p	4·653p		
Earnings per Deferred Ordinary Share	13·4p	10-0p		

The following are extracts from the Review of the Chairman, Sir John Spencer Wills, which has been circulated with the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1977.

#### Accounts

The pre-tax profit for the year to 31st March 1977 of £55-3 million was a record and compares with £42-1 million for the

previous year. With the exception of Wembley Stadium, which had to bear substantially increased interest charges in connection with its building development programme and heavy repair and maintenance costs, most sectors of the Group contributed towards this improved performance. Excellent profits were achieved by Advance Laundries, Argus Press, Boulton & Paul, Thames Television and United Transport, while Humphries Holdings and Murphy Bros. each showed substantial recovery

Although the results presented in the consolidated accounts can be considered a satisfactory showing, the economic outlook and the need to beat inflation call for even greater efforts to raise productivity and increase operational efficiency. The managements of our companies are fully aware of this but, throughout industry, the pursuit of these two aims is becoming increasingly difficult because of the present Government's belief that it is better qualified to run industry than those who have made it their career. Returns and questionnaires proliferate and a vast amount of time has to be spent in studying and trying to understand an almost ceaseless stream of legislation, Government papers of different colours, Committee of Inquiry reports and the like, not a few of which reflect the dogma of the more extreme political left. In my Review three years ago, I referred to industrial profits as the life blood of the nation. Without an adequate level of profits, the outlook is unfavourable for employment and our standard of living. Lip service is indeed paid to the need for a vigorous and profitable private sector of industry but lip service is not enough.

#### Printing and Publishing

Argus Press Holdings increased its pre-tax profit from £436,000 in 1975, to a record £934,000 in 1976. Electrical Press increased its pre-tax profit from £190,000 to a record £317,000. The publishing operations of Argus Press Holdings and Electrical

Press are being steadily expanded by launches and acquisitions. They currently include three groups of weekly newspapers in London and the surrounding counties—a total of 32 newspaper titles—and 47 magazines which range widely in subject matter from general interest and hobbies to publications for trade and

Performance to date in the current year, together with anticipated results of development in progress, justify expectation of further satisfactory profit.

#### **Reclamation and Disposal**

In 1975, Reclamation and Disposal reduced its pre-tax loss from the 1974 figure of £218,000 to £131,000. In 1976, the year under review, the loss was further reduced to £79,000.

Last year I referred to the technical problems associated with the operation of Re-Chem International's waste treatment centres at Pontypool in South Wales and Roughmute in Scotland. Although 'oo late to reduce materially the operating losses in 1976, there has been an improvement on the technical side in recent months; whilst we are not yet wholly out of the wood, a more reliable

standard of operation is currently being achieved. Reclamation and Disposal's other subsidiary, Biffa Holdings, which is engaged in general waste disposal and the supply of building materials, continued its steady growth in 1976 and again carned record profits.

#### Advance Laundries

The gratifying improvement in Advance Laundries' results continued during 1976, when a pre-tax profit of £3-45 million was earned. This compares with a profit of £2-55 million in 1975 and is more than double the £1.66 million recorded in 1974.

The Towelmaster Service, which is the Advance group's major profit earner, maintained its popularity and further useful progress was made by the Airmaster air freshening service and the Dustmaster mat hire service.

Advance Laundries is expected to show a further improvement in profit in 1977. The pace of the past two years has been such, however, that it would be unrealistic to expect anything like that rate of progress to be maintained.

#### Humphries Holdings

There was a marked improvement in the results for the year to 31st March 1977. The group loss, before taxation and extraordinary items, was reduced to £35,000 compared with £832,000 for the previous year. The year's results were affected by further dundancy payments which cost the group £95,000.

The largest factor in the improvement was the reduction from £771,000 to £148,000 in the loss incurred by Humphries Film Laboratories. The drastic reorganisation of this company has achieved a return to profitability since September 1976. Problems still remain to be solved in the Humphries Holdings group but the management is expecting a further overall im-provement this year which should see a return to profit.

#### Canadian Motorways

Canadian Motorways' results for 1976 were marginally down on the record results of the previous year although, due to the depreciation of the pound in relation to the Canadian dollar, profits expressed in sterling showed an increase from the 1975 figure of £1.24 million to £1.48 million in 1976.

The whole Canadian economy is affected by the Government's

anti-inflation regulations, designed to limit incomes, prices and profits, and Canadian Motorways' business did not escape the impact of the measures.

Because of the damaging effect of the regulations on business activity there has been less traffic to date in 1977. Under the ent economic climate, Canadian Motorways will do well this vear to match its 1976 results.

#### United Transport

Growth, both in the United Kingdom and overseas, has resulted in a substantial advance in United Transport's profits. Excluding a currency profit of £2:29 million, compared with a loss on that account of £115,000 in 1975, the pre-tax profit for 1976 was £15-34 million, against £12-24 million in 1975.

Although the recovery in general trade at home has larged behind expectation, much improved results were obtained by a number of companies, including the International Ferry Freight container operating company, the Smith of Maddiston and Jameson road freight companies and the road tanker operations carried on by the Bulwark United Transport group. The record results achieved by overseas companies reflect in

particular advances made in South Africa and Europe. In Southern Africa, development has been confined to existing transport companies which have extended operations successfully, despite difficult conditions. Freight operations in Europe achieved record turnover and profit levels. Trading conditions were difficult for the group's bus companies in East Africa and freight operations in Australia. However, United Transport's touring companies showed improved profits in both the South Pacific and East Africa.

Growth has continued in the current year and a further increase in profit is expected.

#### Plant Hire

All sectors of the Group's plant hire business experienced difficult trading conditions throughout the year but, nevertheless, the total pre-tax profit amounted to £4-13 million against £4-10 million for the previous year.

J. D. White, whose revenue is earned from the hire of truckmounted cranes, including some very large capacity cranes, returned a profit of £1-24 million, a modest increase of £41,000 over the previous year's record figure. Grayston's profit of £1-77 million was slightly lower than the

record achieved in the previous year, due to a rapid deterioration and ladders, increased their shares of their respective markets, as of the work-load experienced by the Dutch and South African subsidiaries in the second half of their financial years. A pre-tax profit of £1-12 million earned by Eddison Plant was an

increase of £85,000 over the previous year. Demand for forklift truck hire started to improve in the second half of the year and has accelerated in more recent months. Utilisation of equipment throughout the plant hire division was

satisfactory but, with the possible exception of forklift trucks, hire rates continued to be depressed. Tough trading conditions are likely to prevail for some time

ahead but it is not expected that the overall profit from our three plant hire companies for the current year will show any substantial diminution.

#### Murphy Bros.

During the year ended 31st December 1976, Murphy Bros. incurred a pre-tax loss of £222,000 compared with the previous year's loss of £3.26 million. There was a return to profitability in the United Kingdom operations, but trading in Germany con-

In last year's Review, I stated that the problems of the German civil engineering company, Junk & Gruber, had still to be satisfactorily resolved. This company continued to incur considerable losses on two major long-term autobahn contracts and in view of this, it was decided to withdraw from this activity, and the German company was sold for a nominal consideration before the year-end.

In Murphy Bros.' principal United Kingdom activity of opencast mining, 968,000 tons of coal were recovered on behalf of the Opencast Executive of the National Coal Board, and this was achieved at an overall profit. In this activity a reasonable continuity of work is secured for the current year but the programme has been affected by the exceptionally wet winter.

#### Rediffusion Television

The pre-tax profit of Rediffusion Television for the year ended 29th July 1976, including the whole of the profit of Thames Television for its year to 30th June 1976, was £8-95 million compared with £6.5 million for the previous twelve months. Thames' increase in profit was due to a considerable improvement in advertisement revenue. The company also achieved a marked improvement in the sale of its programmes outside the United Kingdom. The profit, after tax and minority interests, of Rediffusion Television, which has a 50 per cent interest in Thames Television, was £3.05 million compared with £2.33 million for the previous year.

Thames Television's revenue from advertisements and sales of programmes has continued to improve and the company's profit is expected to be significantly greater for its year to 30th June 1977. This improvement in profit will be reflected in Rediffusion Television's accounts to 29th July 1977, which will be consolidated in B.E.T.'s Accounts for the current year.

#### Rediffusion Holdings

Compared with the pre-tax loss of £231,000 in 1975/76, Rediffusion Holdings incurred a loss of £2.24 million, before taxation, in the year to 31st March 1977, due largely to the substantial increase in the amount of interest incurred by one of its subsidiaries, Wembley Stadium Limited, in connection with the financing of its major building development programme.

The building work at Wembley on the new Conference Centre, office block, car parks and overhead walkways is now almost complete, and the whole office block has been satisfactorily let to one substantial tenant.

The Conference Centre was officially opened by H.R.H. the Duke of Kent on 31st January 1977. It has already attracted bookings for events of many different kinds. The Eurovision Song Contest in 1977 was staged by the BBC in the main auditorium of the Rediffusion Holdings' other main operating subsidiary. Walport,

which provides film and closed-circuit television entertainment on

ships and aircraft, had another successful year and increased

#### **Boulton & Paul**

In the year to 31st March 1977, Boulton & Paul achieved a record profit of £6-78 million, before tax, exceeding the com-pany's previous best performance of £5-1 million in 1973/74. The joinery department and Stephens and Carter, which specialises in the manufacture, sale and hire of scaffolding equipment did Bijstede, the Dutch subsidiary which is in the same general line of business as Stephens and Carter. The results of the structural steel subsidiary benefited from the completion of several major contracts.

As to the current financial year, only a real increase in activity in the building industry, particularly house building, is likely to bring any material improvement in Boulton & Paul's profits. Should there be no such upturn in demand, the management of Boulton & Paul are nevertheless hopeful that by even greater production efficiency and market penetration, some increase on the 1976/77 level of profit will be possible.

#### Rediffusion

Rediffusion's profit, before tax, for the year to 31st March 1977, at £16-47 million, showed only a marginal increase on the

previous year's figure.

Under conditions by no means favourable to growth, its television business and related activities made satisfactory progress, contributing 11 per cent more trading profit than in the previous

Rediffusion's television set factories, which suffered severe cutbacks last year, are now operating on reasonable levels of production. A new generation of colour television sets has been designed and the first of the new models came into production early in 1977, embodying the latest precision 'in-line' tube technology and many other technical improvements.

Rediffusion now has more colour television subscribers renting aerial sets than cable sets, although the numbers of both showed a satisfactory increase over the year.

Capital Radio, in which Rediffusion has a 17.5 per cent interest, earned a good profit for its year to 30th September 1976, on a turnover which was double that of the previous year. Among the Redifon companies, which make electronic capital

equipment, Redifon Computers was the only one to surpass its achievement of the previous year. It did extremely well, Redifon Flight Simulation would also have done well, but for a serious overspending on a major, and technically successful, contract for the United States Air Force. The outlook for the Flight Simulation company remains very good and it has an excellent order book. The expected recovery by Redifon Telecommunications did not materialise. It has been necessary to initiate a major reorganisation of its operations, which cannot be expected to make a profit this year.

In Hong Kong, during the past year, total television advertising revenue increased by about 50 per cent. Rediffusion Television of Hong Kong ('RTV'), in which Rediffusion Limited has a 64 per cent shareholding, increased its own revenue by a similar factor. Unfortunately the operating costs of the television industry in Hong Kong continued to rise. As a result, despite substantially improved revenue, RTV made an operating loss almost as large as in the previous year. Because of the weakness of the pound the sterling equivalent of the loss, included in the consolidated accounts, is in fact larger than the previous year's loss.

Rediffusion's Canadian subsidiary, Delta-Benco-Cascade, which

makes cable-television equipment, had another disappointing year as the expected upturn in business did not materialise.

Overall, Rediffusion's other overseas subsidiaries produced.

#### satisfactory results. The Outlook

Last year saw B.E.T. well on the way to the solution of the problems which have for some time beset Humphries Holdings and Murphy Bros; these two companies have made substantial progress and look set to move into profit in the current year. The technical difficulties encountered in establishing Re-Chem's industrial waste disposal business would also seem to have been largely overcome. I have mentioned in this Review certain operations which still present problems but, as regards the B.E.T. Group as a whole, there is no reason why we should not show continued overall progress. I therefore expect a further increase in profit this year but, as we have yet to see the effect on wage settlements of the ending on 31st July last of Phase 2 of the Government's voluntary pay policy, I am not prepared to attempt a forecast of the extent of the increase.

The Annual General Meeting of The British Electric Traction Company, Limited will be held on 13th October 1977, at the Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, London, W.C.2.

Copies of the Report and Accounts, containing the Chairman's Review, can be obtained from the Secretary (TT), Stratton House, Piccadilly, London, WIX 6AS.

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Interim Results	•	·	·	•
(Unaudited)		Half-year 1977	Half-year 1976	Yea 1970
	•	£000	· £000	£000
TURNOVER		316,951	294,761	629,933
TRADING PROFIT		15.514	14,072	33.30
nvestment and other incomet		2.056	3,568	5,402
MAERITHEN AND OTHER WEARING !		17.570	17,640	38,709
interest payable (net)		3,841	3,529	7,983
Utoreacha Japana ()		13.729	14,111	30,72
Share of profits of associated companie	5	1,890	1,067	3,699
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	-	15,619	15,178	34,425
Taxation		6.086	6,356	14,268
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION		9,533	8,822	20,157
Minority interests		50	. 53	_337
. :		9,483	8,769	19,820
Preference dividends		33	33	66
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINAL	ŔY	<del></del>		
SHAREHOLDERS before extraordina	ary items 1	·· 9,450	8,736	19,754
ORDINARY DIVIDENDS:	÷.	Interim	Interim	Tota
cost (£000)		2,147	961	1,92
per share (pence)		2.3580p	1.0556p	2.1112
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currency gains (losses) profit on sale of shares in Herbert Mo		(600) . 2,006	2,994	4,740

#### Mr. John King reports:

relaxation occurred in the economic recession which for the past two years has affected many of the markets in which the Group operates. It is not surprising therefore that so far this year many of the Group's operations have been unable to diversification of product and geography of earlier years has enabled the Group to maintain its profitability in the generally unfavourable 'Kingdom industries have had to contend with the continuing high rate of inflation, making it more difficult to meet the increasingly severe competition for the limited business available overseas.

#### Trading results

The unaudited consolidated accounts for the half-year ended 30th June, 1977 show a turnover of £317.0 million (1976: £294.8 million) and a profit before taxation of £15,619,000 (1976: £15,178,000). Export sales by United Kingdom companies marginally increased as a proportion of the relative total turnover.

Investment and other income for 1977 includes the net profit arising from the sale of shares in Herbert Morris Limited, amounting to £2,006,000 (1976: Nil), and losses of £600,000 (1976: profit £2,994,000) resulting from changes in foreign

In line with a policy to adopt in due course a concurrent financial year for all companies in the Group, the accounting dates of certain subsidiary companies will be changed this year from 30th ptember to on or about 31st December. For the purpose of preparing the interim statement the results of these companies have been included up to 30th June 1977. The effect on the figures for 1977 in the above statement has been to increase turnover by £21.7 million, trading profits by £770,000, and the profit before taxation by £609,000. In addition, trading profit has benefited by a credit of £940,000 in respect of the excess of a provision made in 1976 for net cost of

Following the issue by the Accounting directors believe that it will not be necessary to set. aside further provisions for deferred taxation in respect of stock relief and other allowances receivable by Group companies in the United ingdom. The reduced charge for taxation against the 1977 first half profits reflects this

change in policy.

While profits have remained relatively static, the investment in working capital has been reduced to the benefit of cash flow in most parts of the Group. As a consequence, the Group's liquid position is currently much stronger than it was at the beginning of the year.

The total value of orders on hand at 30th June amounted to £673 million, compared with amounted to 2013 million, compared with £545 million at the start of the year and £472 million at the mid-point of 1976. Export orders ourstanding in United Kingdom companies combined with the orders on hand in our overseas companies totalled £505 million. This high proportion of orders for overseas markets brings

nto clear relief the weakness in home demand. As reported last year the South African company received an extension worth £100 million to its contract for the supply of boilers and associated equipment to the Matla power station. This year Ames Crosta Babcock has been awarded a £70 million contract to construct a water treatment plant in Saudi Arabia and Claudius Peters has received an order worth £22 million to build two

refuse incineration plants in Lagos, Nigeria, Since 30th June a contract valued at over £40 million has been placed on Woodall-Duckham to design and supply a complete coke oven plant, including its associated gas treatment plant, for a new 2 million tonnes per annum steel works now under construction for Aco Minas Gerais SA in

A large element of the increased total value in the order book relates to major contracts, the benefits of which will not accrue until later years. The balance of orders outstanding, together with the intake which may be expected under current market conditions, will probably not provide a workload for many units of the Group at any greater level of activity than was experienced in the first half of this year. In fact, some units will continue underloaded throughout the remainder

#### Interim dividend

As has been announced, arrangements are being made for an issue of \$35 million convertible bonds, and, in the context of that issue, H.M. Treasury has agreed that the Company's ordinary dividend in respect of the current year can total 5.25p per share, (an increase of fractionally under 150 per cent over the dividend paid in respect of 1976).

The Board has declared an interim ordinary

dividend of 2.3580p per share payable on 24th October, 1977 to shareholders registered at the close of business on 23rd September, 1977. This interim dividend represents the maximum *an* rate of ordinary dividend payable in respect of 1977 under the dividend restraint regulations. Subject to the completion of the proposed bond issue, and in the absence of unforeseen circumstances, the Board intends to recommend a final dividend of 2.8920p per share which, together with the interim dividend will make a total of 5.25p per share in

Cleveland House, London SWIY 4LN, 13th September 1977

## **Babcock & Wilcox Limited** A leader in world-wide engineering

## The Caledonian Trust **Company Limited**

	<u>.                                    </u>	1977	1976	
Equity shareholders' interest		£35,288,704	£30,364,177	
Asset value per share		95.7p	82.4p	
Revenue attributable to ordina	ry shareholders	£588,377	£518,881	
Ordinary shares ranking for dividend		35,325,371	34,788,522	
Earnings per ordinary share		1.67p	1.49p	
Ordinary dividend per share	interim	0.50p	0.50p	
	final	1.10p	0.90p	
Capitalisation issue in B ordina	ary shares	1.77723%	1.69972%	

In his Chairman's Statement dated 24 August 1977, Mr.J.A. Lumsden comments as follows:

**FUTURE OUTLOOK** In the USA fears of reduced growth in economic activity, combined with an adverse balance of trade, have depressed stock markets, while in Japan, increased uncertainty in regard to export markets has recently had some adverse effects. In the UK, however, there is an increased confidence as the benefits of North Sea oil, which will transform the UK balance of payments situation, begin to come through.

While confidence in the UK is increasing, there still remains an element of uncertainty. Our rate of inflation is still high, but is now beginning to come down slowly. The strength of sterling, the reductions in public expenditure, the fall in commodity prices, and the curtailment

of wage and salary increases during the past two years should moderate price rises and bring the rate of inflation lower. If on the other hand the end of the incomes policy leads to wage and salary increases greater than the economy can support, then inflationary pressures will rise again with serious consequences. It is to be hoped that moderation in wage claims will prevail, in which event the outlook for the UK stock market should continue favourable. **DIVIDEND POLICY** 

It is our aim to achieve a steady growth in dividends, and I anticipate a further improvement in dividend in the current year. An increase in the interim dividend from 0.5p to 0.6p is now recommended by the Board.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING The Annual General Meeting will be held on 10 October 1977 at 11.00 a.m. at 175 West George Street, Glasgow



#### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

## Analysts foresee strength in bull market and advise on overcaution by Heywood Williams

the end of last week, the consensus of broking opinion consensus of broking opinion mouth or so, the firm states, suggests that this bull market funds underweight in the stock should have a good deal farther should begin to accumulate to go. Mr Bill Bain's recent market summary for Wood Mackenzie probably sums up the

"It might be foolhardy to expect share prices to achieve an unenterrupted progress but it might be equally so to be panicked out of equity markers at the present time samply because of the recovery which they have achieved from the 1974 low". And in his own fashion, Mr Tony Rudd of Rowe Rudd mirrors that sentiment as he concludes: "This is still a buil marker in which to participate. Don't panic out at

this stage".
So which stocks should the unperturbed investor buy now? Mackenzie's further good advance in profits projected for the current year, the shares should now achieve

chases of BP and the firm is forecasting a significant rise in

the price relative performance may remain dull for a further

shares at current levels". Rowe Rudd also likes oil shares on the principle that, because the timing of the top of this market is difficult to predict, investors should salt

#### Brokers' views

away at least 10 per cent of their portfolios in "hedge" stocks. Oil since it "will never be as cheap again as it is now", comes into the "bedge" cate-gory and Mr Rudd goes for BP

He advises investors to steep clear of the financial sector, with the "exception of the with the exception of the special situation of the insurance industry". Similarly, composites feature strongly in Wood Mackenzie's list of curreaction in price is likely, we retain our recommendations in few weeks". Mr Bain picks our Eagle Star, General Acci-dent and Sun Alliance as the best of the bunch.

Sun Alliance comes in for a strong buy recommendation from Mr Peter Martin and Mr Neil Franklin at Capel-Cure "Despite the sharp rise in the price in the last few months". they say. "We regard the shares as still attracrive and the opportunity should be taken to acquire them at around current levels to build

up a long term holding."

Capel is going for 65 per cent and 57 per cent growth in 1977 for pre-tax profits and carrings respectively which will earnings respectively which will be one of the strongest advances in the composite sector Sun Alliance had by far the best underwriting record in the seven years to 1976 which Messrs Martin and Franklin ex-Messes Martin and Franklin expect to be resumed from the current year. The solvency ratio is in the region of 63 per cent—again about the best in the industry—and with 50 per cent of its worldwide premium income derived from the United Kingdom, "the group is well placed to benefit from the expected sharp fall in the rate of United Kingdom inflation from 1978".

Ray Maughan

## Econa results 'patchy' so far

Mr H. R. Scott, chairman of outlet-in addition to the resulfair statement to say that re-sults so far this year are 'patchy' and individual com-panies have fared—some better

Specific factors which have een adverse are: Unofficial industrial action in two comone lasting several has resulted in loss of production. The actual loss of orders appears to be minimal and Econa should be able to recover most of the resultant loss of profits as it rebuilds stocks and meets the accumulated orders in the coming

months.

"At Econa Products the months.

"At Econa Products the year's results to show the benefailure of a major merchant fits of the profits from these

Econa Limited, told share tant bad debt—has involved a total of our acquisition ambiholders at the annual meeting significant loss of monthly tions and we hope we will be
that: "I think it would be a sales which has not yet been able to report further success sales which has not yet been made good and there is curable to report further success in this direction before our rently severe competition from imported—and we maintain dumped —products." The remaining companies have each

#### Petersville Australia

turned in improved results. Melbourne.—The audited con-"I referred in my chairman's statement in the annual report solidated operating profit of Petersville Australia \$A6.51m against \$4.19m in the sitions and as the final stages year ended June 30. Sales rose to \$239.66m from \$205.87m. currently in hand you to \$239.66m from \$205.87m. Earnings per share jumped to 17.3 cents from 11.2. But the final dividend stays at 3.125 cents. So the total is unchanged. The food and milk group said that all divisions traded profitably. It will make a one-for-10 scrip issue. should be hearing from us in the very near future. One of these is entirely compatible with our existing business and the second is of a diversifica-

## Pricing arrangements 'might make imbalances worse'

In its latest Metals Analysis and Outlook report, Charter Consolidated says that after last year's 15 per cent to 20 per cent recovery in menal consump-tion—"admittedly from the very low levels of 1975"—it is forecasting continuing but de-clining growth rares of some 10 per cent to 15 per cent for 1977 and 5 per cent to 10 per

"In fact, most metals should, more American equal or surpass their previous announce extended summer peak consumption levels this shut-downs, we anticipate that

Saying that individual metals have fared differently in the markets, the report adds that aluminium and lead have done well as their consumption has begun to bump against capa-city. The exceptional perform-ance of tin can, in large measure, be attributed to the unwillingness of the United States to meet the supply deficit as it has done in the past. The report says that at a nore general level a noteworthy feature has been the

worthy teamtre has been ine-collapse of two seemingly im-pregnable producer pricing systems—nickel and tin—and the ineffectiveness of the price agreement for tin, the only metal regulated by an inter-"There is even talk of

United States copper producers pricing on Comex by one means or another.
"The lesson to be drawn is

"The lesson to be the that even if pricing arrange that even if pricing arrange that even in can be useful in ing down short-term market fluctuations they cannot stand out indefinitely against major supply/demand imbalances and, indeed, in the long run may make them worse."

that for the latter half of this year, Charter's projections imply a fall in refined metal stocks but their level will still be excessive by year-end. "This is normally associated with a

Concrete to report."

price in the vicinity of our \$0.65 to \$0.75 floor price

Charter's opinion, the very low prices prevailing since brought about by first-time investors liquidating their positions when it became apparent that a United States strike would not last long. "After this shake-out and as

more American producers price down into the upper half move into our floor price

#### Commodities

economic growth for the third year running will also generate some bullish sentiment in spite of the remaining stock over-

our floor price band but averaging for the year closer to it (\$0.70 to \$0.81 per lb) in 1978 dollars assuming 6 per cent inflation next year than to our long-term average price range (\$0.97 to \$1.08 per lb). "The price is kikely to return to our floor price band in 1979 economy then enters

The commercial sector's tin deficit this year will be of the order of 7,000 to 17,000 tonnes, says the report. Presumably its counterpart will be a corresponding decline in refined metal stocks held by smelters, merchants exchanges exchanges exchanges exchanges. chants, exchanges, speculators and consumers.

"For this to happen, the tin price will have to remain high during the remainder of the

year, almost certainly above the International Tin Council's ceiling of \$M1,500 per picul. "We anticipate that the deficit for 1978, excluding any transactions by the GSA and ITC, will probably be some 13,000 to 23,000 tonnes. time the gap will probably be filled by the United States, with in all likelihood enough metal

This the basis of the present range, or some 5 per cent higher if, out of deference to the producers, the range were adjusted upwards to account for infla-

The report says that the con-sequences, should the United States for one reason or another delay releasing metal until would certainly not be in the long-term interests of the

"Consumers forced to battle for inadequate tin supplies in the face of spiralling prices for yet another year would in in-creasing numbers turn to sub-stitutes, a process which is

On lead, the report says that with metal stocks held by producers and United States consumers already on the low side, the jump in replacement by the severe North American winter quickly pushed lead prices to high levels early this

further years with net falls in refined metal stocks, we conclude that the LME price will remain relatively high, averaging in the region of 25 cents to 30 cents per lb (expressed in constant money' 1977 dollars) for the new 18 months. for the next 18 months."

Wallace Jackson Commodities Editor

# Good start to the year

building materials in aluminan acceptable level of profit-ability. This projection, made by Mr Douglas Oliphant in his first report as chairman, follows the group's return to profit in the year to April 30, 1977, with £59,000 pre-tax, against a loss of £826,000.

The current year has started profitably in difficult economic not intend to return to the dividend list until results for the full year are audited.

Looking back on his seven months in the chair, Mr Oliphant says: "The company has gone through a very bad period indeed. It is in a state of recovery — convalescence is

Half-year profit of Heywood been appointed in December, Williams Group, makers of 1976. Very drastic action has been taken since to stop all reasonable improvement and correct the liquidity position. Sales of two companies and interests in another two realized £317,000, of which £57,000 was profit, and enabled the group to reduce borrowings by £700,000. sh flo eing (

The cash position was further improved by remittances from the group's South African com-panies, which contributed 19 per cent of last year's £18.7m turnover and nearly half of the £530,009 pre-interest profit.

Altogether, loans and overdrafts were reduced by more than £1.1m (from a total of £4.1m to £2.9m). Mr Oliphant also draws attention to a £676,000 reduction in working

recovery — convalescence is almost over—and modest profits are now being earned.

While he now looks forward with "quiet but justifiable confidence", Mr Oliphant recalls that cash problems were such that a receiver could well have in Huddersfield.

## Western Mining Corp's issue of \$40m bonds

S. G. Warburg & Co, together subsidiaries constitute one of rith Banque de Paris et des ays-Bas, Dresdner Bank, IBJ missing groups. It is the fourth largest integrated nickel prowith Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas, Dresdner Bank, IBI International, Morgan Stanley International and Swiss Bank Corporation (Overseas) are making arrangements for an issue of US\$40m bonds 1992 in the international capital market by Western Mining Corpora-tion, Melbourne.

The final terms are expected to be fixed on Wednesday, September 28, in accordance with the prevailing market conditions. In current market conditions. ditions a coupon of 9 per cent per annum is expected. A sinking fund will operate from the end of the third year to redeem 42 per cent of the issue prior to maturity and the comcany will have the non-cumula tive option to increase each sinking fund instakment by up m 100 per cent. The maximum average life of the bonds will

ducer in the non-communist world and accounted for over 6 per cent of total mine pro-duction in 1976. Gross income and profits are derived for the most part from its nickel operations but the company also has interests in alminium, gold, tale and uranium. All its mining properties and production facilities are situated in Australia. The net proceeds of the issue.

will be used by the company to fund part of its capital ex-States dollar borowings.

Application will be made to the Council of The Stock Exchange of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland for the bonds to be admitted to the Official List. The

## Gilt-edged team defect to Fielding Newson-Smith

Five of the twelve-man gilts introduce ateam which is quitting Capel-Cure Myers to join rival stock-brokers Fielding Newson-Smith are to be made partners by their new firm.

The team, headed by Mr that gilts business does not receive sufficient prominence within Capel-Cure-predomina large private-client operation
—although it accounted for about 15 per cent of profits last

Capel, which has undergone a succession of management upheavals in recent weeks, will

introduce a "holding open to an annual statement tion" on its gifts business when also the team departs according to the team of Canno Valve.

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#### Hartebeestfontein outlool

The Hartebeestfontein Gold Mine's chairman, Mr Basil E. Hersov, says in his annual report that circumstances are now more favourable in the gold mining industry than a year ago but, because of various factors, he declines to give any firm estimates regarding the company's future earnings and dividends. The company has been awarded a two-year uranium contract and is negotiating for additional longerterm contracts.

The mine is continuing to

make efforts to increase productivity and contain costs, but subtantial increases in wages and electricity have already taken place, while additional overtime is being worked to minimize the production loss stemming from the introduction of the "11-shift formight".

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Mr Hersov continues. "Retently the gold price has shown
signs of an upward trend and
world uranium prices at present
remain firm. Continued recession in South Africa and a slug-

gish world economy could less is of fixed into hence further improvement in the gold price. While the availability of white miners has been barely sufficient to meet to

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CHRISTOPHER MORAN **GROUP LIMITED** 

"The policy of the group, as now constituted, is to continue the expansion of the insurance activities, which have the advantages of positive cash flow and little direct dependence on sterling and are to a large extent proof against

Extracts from the Chairman's Statement

inflation. We will continue to maximise the value of our investments in the industrial companies." "The insurance broking and underwriting agency division produced pretax profits 72 per cent in excess of the previous year." "The future of the industrial division is under active consideration by

the directors . . . and shareholders will be informed when there is something

"In the year to date insurance brokerage, now the most important component of our trading income, is showing an increase of more than 50 per cent compared to the same period last year, and we confidently expect that this will result in a substantial improvement in results for the year to 31st January, 1978 . . . performance since circulation of the Report has strengthened this confidence."

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Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from The Secretary, Christopher Moran Group Ltd.,

## Louis -The Chairman, Mr. Geoffrey Newmark, reports:-

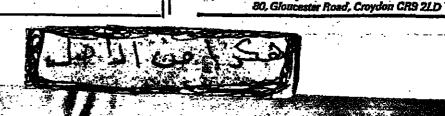
 With many and varied problems surmounted during the year the results achieved are considered satisfactory.

 In the electro-mechanical and electronic fields progress has been more than satisfactory and our new products have . contributed their full share of profits and turnover.

 Merchandising profits showed a fall due to problems in the watch trade. The Board took the decision to treat the introduction onto the market of the solid state watch with great caution until the position had been stabilised. In the result we have missed some sales, but we have not incurred losses or bad stock. A decision will shortly be taken on which lines to market.

 In the important field of finance the resources available are adequate to support the planned turnover for the foresesable future.

Salient Figures:	197	7 (£000's)	. 197	6 (£000's)
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Manufacturing	1,358		2.043	11,758
Merchanting	480	6,568	579	5,784
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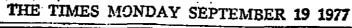
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**Euromarkets** 

recovery, internationally held funds may well continue to be diverted into the United King. dom gilt-edged market, analysts say. Several factors have occurred to encourage such in-

Pirst, the exchange-rate risk of holding a sterling obligation has diminished because Britaln has begun to earn a surplus on its current account for trade in goods and services with other nations due to North Sea oil

It was announced last week It was announced last week that Britain recorded a current account surplus in August equivalent to \$550m—a sharp improvement from the \$95m deficit in July.

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fails to produce much optimism. Turnover in current year expected to be at least as good as that for

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HOGG ROBINSON GROUP

Chairman, at annual meeting said that year has got off to a good start and income is up quite noticeably, as compared with last year at this time.

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Turnovar for first half of 1977

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**BET looks** for further profit rise

residents alike.
On Friday, the Bank of England lowered its minimum lending rate a half point to 6 per cent, the lowest level since the central bank started pegging its discount rate to Treasury Bills in 1972 and down from 14 per cent at the beginning of the year. And over time the steep yield curve between short and rent year.

unlikely that sterling will decline, there is a possibility of it going up. Mr Stanley Ross, manager of Kidder Peabody Securities, mentioned in a recent market letter that he expected sterling to move up to \$1.90 this user from live up to \$1.90 this user Euroloan for ENI's Algerian pipeline

long-term rates should flatten out as long-dated bond prices go up and the yields down,

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in the full year.

Chairman said at the AGM that

current year was progressing much in line with the expectation opt-lined in his annual statement. He was still firmly of the view that aithough first-half profit might be modest, company would produce a respectable level of profit for

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analysis say.

ENI, the Italian state-owned hydrocarbons corporation, has initiated contacts on international markets for a 100-150m Eurodollar loan to help finance the projected trans-Mediter-ranean pipeline to bring Algerian methane across the channel to Italy—cables John Eurle from Rome. The total cost of the project is estimated in Italian circles to be about

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Another record aimed at by Appleyard

On sales up from £38.95m to 244.59m in the first half of this year, pre-tax profits of the Appleyard Group rose from £731.00 to £951,000. In the whole of 1976, record pre-tax profits of £1.35m were made. Mr Ian Appleyard, the chair man, reports that the first-half's figures augur well for the full year and that the directors are confident that 1977's profits PEMEX
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(Pemex) will float a 100m franc
5½ per cent ten-year bond issue
on the Swiss market from
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price will be published later.— "will yet again be at record levels". Appleyard covers the sale and service of motor vehicles, agricultural machinery and the distribution of fuel oil.

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for two consecutive Gulf to Caribbean trips at worldscale 24 while a larger tanker was taken for a Gulf to Mediterranean voyage at worldscale 22.5-23, dependent on the number of discharge ports. A Japanese vice also taken for a Mediterranean trip realized worldscale 23.

or two recent weeks. However, brokers emphasized that it was

**Business appointments** 

Mr Jan-Otto van Boetzelaer, Mr Francis Madden, Mr Peter Byrom and Mr Jock Green-Armytage are to be made executive directors of N. M. Rothschild & Sons, Mr Robert Valentine and Mr Henry Ergas will become non-executive directors. Mr Madden is joining Rothschild from the Takeover Panel, where he has been assistant director-general.

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Dr J. A. Blackburn, deputy chairman of William Reed and Sons, has additionally become managing director and chief executive. Mr S. J. Wootliff, Mr C. P. Frazer and Mr R. G. Henton have resigned from the board. resigned from the board.
Dr E. R. Wallsgrove has become
a director of Croda International.
Mr W. Burton has been made
managing director of Conwin
Freight Agency.

Mr Peter Robinson, formerly managing director of Amari World Steel, has now become managing director of the newly formed Robern Steels. The chairman is Mr Berut Rathaus. Mr Charles Nunneley is now a director of Investment Trust Cor-

Mr John Gardner, formerly car marketing director of Levland International's European division, has been made managing director of the company's German sales outlet. Mr L. J. Tolley has been made a director and elected chalrman of Francis Shaw, in succession to Mr C. B. Drover, who has retired.

Mr G. R. C. McDowell, chair-man and managing director of G. H. Scholes, has been elected chairman of the Electrical Installa-

Mr Leslie Bostel has joined the board of Lep Travel as financial

Unit Trust Prices-change on the week FT Index change on week 531.9+1.8 (0.3%)

high-yielding United Kingdom governments is all that more attractive to residents and non-Last year saw British Electric Traction " well on the way to the solution of the problems which have for some time beset Humphries Holdings and Mur-phy Bros", reports Sir John Spencer Wills, the chairman, in his annual statement. These two companies have nade substantial progress and look set to move into profit in the cur-The chairman expects a further increase in profit in the

current year for the group as a prediction of the extent of

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dary AGIP is negotiating with Societe Financiere Europeenne dollar loan for development of the Loungo oilfield offshore the Congo republic. This is now entering production, in partner ship with ELF-Erap.

Commercial Union

Commercial Union of Australia reports operating profits for the year to June 30 up from \$A1,01m to \$A7.52m. Premiums less reinsurance were \$A75.08m against \$A78.12m. Urofits are before an extraordinary gain of \$A1.28m compared with a loss of \$A324,000.—Reuter.

Freight report

actuel fixing was considered low by comparison. Despite the activity, rate levels remained static. Unusually the week started

tion carrier at worldscale 23.75 for a Caribbean trip while the Brazilian Frota company later took a slightly larger vessel at worldscale 24.5. Midweek brought book fixtures and renewed inquiry, particularly for Gulf tonnage. One 220,000 tonner was booked for two consecutive Gulf to

worldscale 23.
In period trading, Union Oil time chartered a 263,000-tonne Liberian tanker for five years' trading. The rate was \$1.05 The deal also includes an option to buy at \$16m.
The general performance of the market as a whole last week was considered a little more encouraging than of one or two recent weeks. However. worldscale 23.

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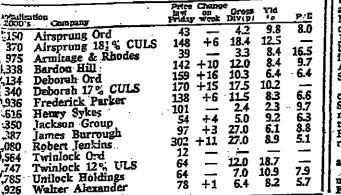
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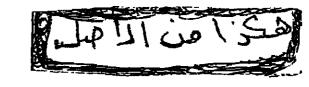


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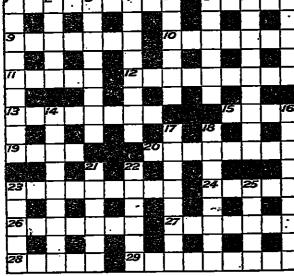
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(nee Walls)—a son Benedict 120,250.

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9 Little girl has high honour in China (7).
10 Reading of friend about certain to retire (7).
11 It holds up oil production, parhaps? (3).
12 One gets false reports of some inhabitants (9).
13 Getting to know the girl Anne replaced (8).
15 Startling hair-style? (4).
19 A game performance (4).
20 Wood preserver sees very large duck in the island (8).
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24 A mansion put up on a poor foundation in India (9).
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27 Bird is given one drink (7).

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2 Dispatches to finish aboard (5).

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